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OUTLINES.

The horrors of the Monongah mine disaster continue to multiply, five hundred and fifty may be dead and two hundred and fifty families are destitute——The death of King Oscar is momentarily expected——Police Commissioner Bingham of New York has ordered the enforcing of an old law which will close up all places of amusement today, from the Symphony concerts in Carnegie Hall to the five cent vaudeville shows, ball playing is included and the six-days bicycle race, which was to start at midnight, will not commence till 10 o'clock——United States troops have arrived at Goldfield where the striking miners threatened to destroy the mines and blow up the town——Secretary Taft sailed from Cuxhaven yesterday for New York——In Washington, the Gridiron Club began its winter series of fun-making dinners and entertained many distinguished guests Five hundred "night riders" masked and heavily armed, marched into Hopkinsville, Ky., early yesterday and desroyed property valued at over $200,000, while citizens, in terror of their lives, feared even to open their windows.——Speaker Cannon yesterday informed a delegation of labor men that, while he approved of unionism for craft workers, he did not think members should accept a dictatorship over their votes, this being a slap at President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor who opposed the Speaker's election——It was decided to hold the Republican Convention in Chicago on June 16; Kansas City was second for location and Denver third; the date selected was a compromise between the first and last of June—— New York markets, flour, dull and about steady; corn meal, steady, firm white and yellow, 1.30 to 1.35; wheat spot firm; corn steady; oats spot firm; money nominal; sixty days 12 per cent and 90 days 8 to 10, six months 6 to 7; rosin, steady, strained common to good 3.65; turpentine, quiet; spot cotton closed steady, middling uplands 12.15, middling gulf 12.40; futures opened steady and closed easy.

Acts like the same old Congress too.

Blame everything on Taft. There is enough of him to go 'round.

Guess we'll have to take New Mexico and Arizona in. The country is getting shy on names for battleships.

The Charleston Post says: "Uncle Joe Cannon is now convened in annual session." Not bad at all.

Rather a bad omen was that; in starting out for the Pacific, our battleships were "snowed under"

This is not the country that Jack built but it looks as though Jack Rockefeller and Jack Morgan own it.

In his trip homeward, Secretary Taft is proving that large bodies do not always move slowly.

At this rate, why not pass a law preventing railroads from taking it to the State Supreme Court.

Mr. Roosevelt is President, but if you really want anything, Mr. Cannon is the best man to see.

They talk about "managers" for these Presidential candidates just as if they were prize fighters or race horses.

The way to find out how little some of them give is to go ahead and make the names of contributors to the campaign funds public.

Now is the time for Mother to circumvent little Jimmie's schemes for looking under the bed, on the top shelf and behind the trunk.

Tom Taggart says it will be Bryan for President, but the Bryan manager says it will not be Tom Taggart for National Chairman.

The Charlotte Observer has an article headed "Distinguished Yarn Men Here." Is the North Carolina Press Association at Charlotte?

The Central American people had a peace conference a short time ago and already arms are being shipped to Nicaragua in large quantities.

A fellow who is "next" says that the naval policy of the government is to be to keep ahead of Germany. We suppose this means to try and catch up with England.

The President promised the newspaper publishers that he would have the tariff on wood-pulp cut, but by sending out twenty-five column messages he forces the publishers to use up enough paper to offset any posible revision of the tax.

President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton says that every college should have a Professor of Things in General. There is only one man in the United States qualified for the job, let him tell it; his name is Roosevelt.

REPORTS ARE HEARD

North Carolina Conference in Session at Newbern Transacts Much Routine Business.

THE METHODIST ORPHANGE

Its Support and Maintenance Amply Provided For—People Thanked for Their Unstinted Hospitality—Proceedings.

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 7.—After religious services conducted by Dr. L. L. Nash, Bishop C. B. Galloway called the conference to order today and at 9:30 the journal of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Prof. Raymond Browning read the report of the Committee on Church Property which was adopted. Rev. B. H. Black read the report of the Committee on District Conference records. Rev. G. T. Simons read the report of the Orphanage Committee which was adopted.

Pending the adoption of the report Rev. J. N. Cole, superintendent of the Orphanage addressed the conference. An assessment of 10 per cent. of the pastors' salary was made for the institution. All pastors are asked to aid the executive committee in the reception of orphans.

Rev. C. W. Robinson read the report of the committee on the American Bible Society, which was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Porter the agent of the A. M. B. Society was introduced to the conference and spoke of the great work of the society.

Judge W. H. Neal read the report of the committee on Temperance and after discussion by Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Judge W. H. Neal and Rev. N. H. D. Wilson and R. L. Davis, the report was adopted.

Rev. T. A. Sykes read the report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals which was adopted, after discussion by Dr. T. N. Ivey, Rev. J. N. Cole, Dr. John C. Kilgo, E. R. Welch and Prof. John C. Wooten.

Question 45 was called viz: "Where shall the next session of Conference be held?" Mr. J. E. Pegram extended an invitation from Durham which place was selected.

Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, president of Greensboro Female College, was introduced to the conference and spoke briefly of that institution.

Mr. F. L. Bundy read the report of the Sunday School Board and after discussion this was adopted. Statistics were quoted showing wonderful progress in Sunday School work. The report asked the Bishop to appoint a well qualified man as Sunday School secretary. This was believed to be a Wilmington pastor.

Bishop Galloway stated that owing to the shortage of ministers to fill the various appointments it was doubtful whether he could spare a man for the place.

Rev. W. S. Rone moved that Conference adjourn to meet at 3 P. M. for an afternoon session, conference adjourned at 1 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

After religious services conducted by Rev. M. D. Giles, Dr. J. C. Kilgo called the Conference to order and the journal of the morning session was read and approved.

Rev. R. E. Hunt read the report of the Epworth League Board which was adopted. Rev .L. S. Massey, for the Board of Education, read the report after discussion by Rev. J. M. Rhodes. The report was adopted. The Bishop resumed the chair and Rev. M. T. Plyler introduced resolutions concerning the motto on our coin "In God We Trust," which, after discussion by Dr. E. A. Yates, M. T. Plyler and W. H. Kirton, was adopted.

Rev. D. H Tuttle read the report of the Church Extension Board which was adopted Rev. A. J. Parker read resolutions asking that blanks be provided in the journal to show what each church in a charge contributes to the various effects, which was adopted.

Dr. L. L. Nash read resolutions of thanks to the good people of Newbern for their hospitable entertaining of the Conference, which was adopted by a unanimous standing vote. Conference adjourned at 5 o'clock with the benediction.

CAR INSPECTOR HURT.

Mr. J. E. Sanders Caught Between Cars and Badly Mashed.

Yesterday afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock on the lower yards in this city, Mr. J. E. Sanders, a car inspector of the Atlantic Coast Line while about his duties, was caught between two cars and badly mashed about the hips. He was given temporary attention at the yardmaster's office and was later sent to the James Walker Memorial Hospital where he will likely be laid up for some time. Mr. Sanders has been employed by the Coast Line for some time and lives at 618 Wooster street.

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FROM RIVERS AND HARBORS

North Carolina Delegation Back From Great Congress at Washington. All Enthusiastic Over Prospects of the Work.

The Wilmington and North Carolina delegates to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress in session Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the past week in the assembly room on the tenth floor of the New Willard Hotel in Washington, D. C., returned to their homes yesterday and are full of enthusiasm over the work accomplished. It is said to be not at all likely that the present Congress of the United States will cast aside the usual custom and provide a river and harbor bill at this session.

There were more than two thousand delegates in attendance upon the great meeting at the New Willard and as usual North Carolina was prominently to the fore in all the deliberations. Governor Glenn electrified the body with his masterly speech on Thursday and the State Association recently organized in this city was strongly commended by Hon. John E. Ransdell, president of the National organization. While the object of the Congress was to secure governmental aid to rivers and harbors work without regard to any particular project, it is enough to know that the leading men in the body already have the 30-foot project for Wilmington under consideration and that something tangible will come later.

The Associated Press dispatches to the Star from day to day have carried accounts of the proceedings of the great rivers and harbors meeting and it is no use to recount the work of the convention here. North Carolina delegates are eminently well pleased with the turn of affairs at the great gathering and are enthusiastic over the prospects for much and lasting good to this commonwealth.

DOG WITH RABIES.

Some Excitement Caused Yesterday at First Baptist Church.

Early yesterday afternoon, while about a dozen visitors here for the State Baptist Convention were standing in front of the First Baptist Church, Fifth and Market streets, a dog that had been lounging about the front of the building suddenly jumped up and went to running about snapping at things in general in such a manner as to cause those who saw him to believe that he was affected with rabies. Rev. J. D. Newton, of Thomasville, was among the number of gentlemen in front of the church and the dog made for him while circling about the front of the building and made so bold as to take hold of his shoe top. Mr. Newton kicked the animal off before his teeth had penetrated the shoe but his experience in doing so was quite an exciting one.

The dog was later followed and was found to be the property of Mrs. E. F. Johnson, near Ninth and Market streets. The dog ran in the house there and went up stairs, still giving signs of rabies. Officer E. H. Dement was summoned and killed the animal after taking him from the house. It is not thought, of course, that Rev. Mr. Newton will suffer any ill effects of the attack of the animal.

COURT HAS ADJOURNED

Term Completed Yesterday With Hearing of Rhoe Controvesy.

The Superior Court adjourned yesterday morning after having been in session only a short time and Judge and Mrs. Biggs left on the afternoon train for their home at Durham.

The only matter of interest before the court yesterday was argument in the case of P. C. Smith and others against Rev. J. H. Rhoe and others involving the possession of the First Baptist Church, colored, of this city, which has for some months been engaged in a strong factional fight in which the congregation seems to be about equally divided. The proceedings were in the nature of a mandamus to compel the retirement of the pastor and the argument yesterday was upon a demurrer by the defendants, who were represented by Herbert McClammy and Brooke G. Empie, Esqs., while Hon. John D. Bellamy appeared for the anti-Rhoe faction. The matter was argued at some length and Judge Biggs stated that he would take the papers and rule on the demurrer later. Meantime Rhoe and his followers are in charge of the church and claim that they can be ousted only in an ecclesiastical court while the plaintiffs allege that Rhoe is able to hold his control only by voting watch-care members. The case all through is a very fragrant one.

Party Down the River.

Captin Earl I Brown, while on a survey down the river last Monday, took a party consisting of Mrs. Brown, the Misses Wiggins and Colonel John J. Kingman, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A. At Fort Caswell they were joined by Captains Mould and Hosbrook. Lunch was served on the launch Mercur and the party left Caswell at 5:30 after a most enjoyable day, arriving back in the city at 7:30 P. M. The trip was very much enjoyed and the guests were indebted to Captain Brown for a very pleasant occasion.

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CUT BY HIGHWAYMAN

James Brockett Young White Man Slashed Across Throat By Negro Footpad.

JUGULAR VEIN IS SEVERED

Coal Cart Driver Under Arrest After Being Identified by Injured Man. Not Thought Brocket Will Recover.

James Brockett, a young white man perhaps about 35 years of age, had his throat cut and may die as the result of injuries received early last night, between 7 and 8 o'clock, on lower Brunswick street, where he says he was accosted by Oscar Johnson, driver of a coal cart for the Springer Coal Company, and told to hand over his money. Brockett is at the hospital with his jugular vein partially, if not wholly, severed and the negro, who was arrested by Officers Brinkley and Coleman at his home in Brooks' alley shortly after the cutting, is in the lockup at the City Hall.

About the hour named last night while Hall Officer J. H. Dew was on his way to the police station for the night at Fourth and Brunswick streets heard that a man had been murdered down the street and he set out in the direction of the Carolina Central freight depot to learn what he could of the affair. He met a young white man bringing Brockett up the street and his escort stated that he had heard the injured man groaning down at the dock and was assisting him to the car line. Brockett was covered with blood and his throat was even then bleeding freely. He was taken as quickly as possible to Moore's drug store, near Fourth and Brunswick, and Dr. J. T. Schonwald, who happened to be present, did what he could to stop the flow of blood until the hospital ambulance could arrive. Brockett's throat was cut from just under the right ear all the way around to the other ear, his windpipe being plainly visible in the wound. He had suffered from weakness from the loss of blood and it was hardly expected that he would reach the hospital alive, but after getting him there and sewing up the wound he rallied somewhat and told of the assault by the negro Johnson, which was most extraordinary. A great crowd collected at the drug store and Officer Dew placed a negro named "Arthur" under arrest, this negro having seemed to act suspiciously about the store. Later a message was sent to the City Hall and Mounted Officers Frank George, W. R. Appleberry, Coleman and Brinkley were dispatched by Captain George Smith, to scour the northern part of the city in search of Johnson, whose name had been given by Brockett as the man who cut him and with whom Brockett had worked at the steamer Wilmington's wharf that afternoon. The officers arrested Johnson just as he was coming out of his house in Brooks' alley and stoutly maintained his innocence, stating that he had gone home on one of the carts and offered to introduce the driver of the cart to substantiate his story. He was remarkably cool when locked up in the police station and those who saw him expressed a doubt as to his being the man wanted.

A little later, however, upon advices from the hospital that Brockett would probably die, the two negroes arrested were taken out to the hospital by Chief Williams, Sergeant Burnett and Constable Savage for identification. Brockett at once recognized Johnson in spite of the fact that the negro argued with the injured man that they had worked together all day and he could not be the man. Johnson was carried back to the station house and locked up without bail pending the result of Brockett's injuries.

While at the hospital Chief Williams took a sworn statement from the injured man. He said that he was near the Carolina Central station just after dark and that Johnson approached him and asked him to loan him his knife. Brockett said he handed the knife over to the negro, who at once drew it and demanded his money. Brockett said that he then put his hands in his pockets as if to hand over the wages he had just received when the negro made at him with the knife, evidently believing that the hands had gone in the pockets for some kind of a weapon. Brockett said the negro slashed him once or twice across the throat and ran away. Later he was picked up and carried to the drug store as described. On account of the wound in his throat, it was exceedingly difficult for the injured man to make himself understood and few people apparently know him. The only Brockett given in the directory is Jas. F. Brockett, a car inspector living at 314 Campbell street. The injured Brockett had been working for some time as a laborer for the Springer Coal Company by whom Johnson was also employed.

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ANOTHER HORNETS' NEST

Wilmington People Resent Further Reference to Convention Entertainment Imbroglio in "Directory" by Dr. Hale.

It was thought until yesterday that the breach between the Rev. Fred D. Hale, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, and a large part of the community who did not take kindly to his utterances and publication in regard to Wilmington's entertainment of the State Baptist Convenion, had been closed, at least until the guests of the city during the past week, were without our wates, but the unfortunate incident was again brought prominently to the fore by certain utterances of Dr. Hale in an official directory of the convention, which was issued Friday night and distributed from the church.

These directories yesterday fell into the hands of a great many, who were astonished to find the following statement at the end of the list of delegates and homes assigned them as they appear in the booklet:

"This is the second time high pressure methods have had to be used to get hospitable Wilmington to move in the matter of entertaining a big Baptist Convention. Ten years ago Bro. Oliver, pastor of the First Baptist church had, finally, to appear before the Chamber of Commerce and threaten to call off the Southern Baptist Convention, unless they got a move on them."

This intimation that coercion had to be used upon the people of Wilmington to bring out their proverbial hospitality, was strongly resented, not only as an unwarranted reflection upon the present hosts of the Convention but upon the guests of the city upon this occasion as well, who were necessarily to infer they were in Wilmington homes by sufferance. The records of the Chamber of Commerce were sought for vindication from the charge that in 1896 the people had to be "threatened" in order to provide homes for the delegates. The records show that not only were the people of Wilmington unstinted with their hospitality upon this occasion, but that the Chamber of Commerce voluntarily took the matter in hand and extended through the Rev. Will B. Oliver, an invitation for the convention to come to this city, no place having then been decided upon as the convention was not through its annual sessions in Chattanooga. Mr. Oliver was invited to the meeting of the Chamber April 2nd, 1896, when the matter was first taken up. The minutes show all the way through that the Chamber took the initiative in the matter, appointed a committee to provide homes, had frequent conferences with Mr. Oliver, provided those homes and entertained more than a thousand delegates. Later the Chamber of Commerce prepared a paper to the Southern Baptist Convention expressing pleasure at having this great body of visitors here and the Rev. Mr. Oliver personally appeared before the Chamber after the Convention and thanked the Chamber of Commerce for its most generous assistance upon this occasion.

The following aditional paragraph in the convention "directory" also was strongly condemned as being undignified and a useless parade of affairs that had best never have occurred in a booklet which contained this admonition: "Fill this book with notes. It will be the best thing you can take home from the convention." And here is what is written:

"When our Committee on Hospitality went as far as they consistenly could in the circumstances, in securing homes for our guests, with but scant results, they sent the now notable telegram, saying that Wilmington citizens, outside of the Baptist churches, were not hospitable enough, to help entertain our guests, and that only delegates could be entertained and that the ladies, and other visitors could not be entertained. This waked the old town up. The fur flew, and Pastor Hale had to furnish most of the fur; but the Mayor, and business men, jealous of the reputation of "the City by the Sea," both because its reputation for hospitailty and "business' was endangered, "got a move on them;" and, in one day, with the assistance of our Committee on Hospitality, secured money enough to put 33 delegates at one of the hotels, and found 28 homes for our guests, after our canvassers had passed over the ground."

It is only fair to say that at least a majority of the members of the Committee on Hospitality for the convention disclaim any responsibility whatever for the "directory."

Sale by St. Agnes Guild.

St. Agnes Guild, of St. James' Episcopal Church, will hold its annual sale of dolls and fancy articles with candies on Thursday of this week, beginning at 10:30 A. M., in the store 129 Market street. An unusually attractive display has been prepared by the ladies and they hope to have a large patronage.

To Confer Third Degree.

Stonewall Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, will tomorrow night confer the third degree. Members of the lodge and Pythians generally of the city are invited to be present.

Go to Rehder's for everything. **

WORK IS COMPLETED

Great Baptist State Convention Closed Most Successful Sessions Last Night.

WILMINGTON HOSPITALITY

Guests Pleased With Entertainment in This City—Several Topics Discussed During Day. In Local Pulpits.

The Baptist State Convention, in session with the First Church of this city since Wednesday, practically concluded its work yesterday morning with a discussion of the great Laymen's Movement, which has taken firm hold upon every denomination in the land, the disposition of many odds and ends that have accumulated during the week, the assignment of pastors for Wilmington pulpits today and a consideration of Evangelism with a sermon by Rev. T. W. Chambliss, of Wadesboro, last night.

Many delegates are leaving the city in time to fill their pulpits as usual today and all say that the convention has been a remarkable success in spite of the reported friction just before the opening of the convention in regard to Wilmington's entertainment of the body. A resolution was passed yesterday upon motion of Rev. J. T. Alderman as follows:

"Resolved, That the highest appreciation of the convention be in this public way expressed to the citizens of Wilmington and the First Baptist Church in particular for the full and generous hospitality extended to the members of this body during the sessions of the convention."

Another resolution unanimously passed was an expression of appreciation by the convention of the admirable work done by the reporters of the Wilmington papers, Charlotte Observer and Raleigh News and Observer in reporting the proceedings of the body. This was by Rev. Archibald Johnson.

The committee of hospitality of the First Baptist Church took occasion to express through the press of the city their sincere appreciation of the cordial support and assistance on the part of the good people of Wilmington in the following card:

"The Committee on Hospitality of the First Baptist Church desire to express, to the good people of our city, their sincere appreciation of the cordial support and assistance which has made it possible for us to entertain the representatives of our Denomination from the State at large. We regret any friction that may have occurred and hope the spirit of Christian love and charity wil be thrown over any errors we may have made.

"G. E. LEFTWICH,
"W. C. PETERSON,
"C. C. BROWN,
"Committee."

There were several invitations for next year's sessions of the convention but the matter was referred to the committee to decide upon the place and make due announcement through the press.

The Morning Session.

The morning session opened with a prayer and praise service led by Rev. R. E. Neighbor, of Salisbury, after which President Carlyle took the chair and the journal of yesterday's proceedings were read by the Secretary, Rev. Hight C. Moore. The first topic was the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Mr. J. Harry Tyler, a business man of Baltimore, delivered a stirring and practical address on the subject. He first gave some facts as to the history of the movement, which showed that it had its origin in the city of New York only about a year ago. The movement was born in a prayer meeting, a call to prayer was sent out and after an afternoon earnestly seeking to know the Lord's will and feeling that they were led by Him who never errs, the movement was launched and had accomplished wonders in the remarkably short time. The objects of this great movement are stated in the folowing language:

1. To project a campaign of education among laymen, to be conducted under the direction of the various boards.

2. To devise a comprehensive plan for the evangelization of the world in this generation.

3. To endeavor to form through the various Boards a Centennial Commission of Laymen, of fifty or more, to visit the Missionary Fields and report their findings to the church at home.

These recommendations were unanimously adopted by the Secretaries' Conference and the following additional resolutions were passed.

1st. That the Foreign Mision Boards of all denominations be earnestly asked to secure groups of Laymen to promote campaigns of intelligent and generous interest in Foreign Misions on the part of the men of the Church, the expense of such movements to be borne by such groups of men.

2nd. That the Boards be requested to ascertain from their Mission fields what they will need in men and money to evangelize in this generation, the people, for whose evangelization they are responsible, and to endeavor to

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A POSITIVE STATEMENT.

"That cannot be. I cannot serve beyond my present term I am grateful to the American people for their kindly feeling toward me, but somebody else must carry on the work."

The Washington, D. C., Evening Star of last Friday is the authority for this statement; that President Roosevelt made the above announcement without any conditions, ands or ifs.

"These were the plain, unmistakable words," the Star goes on to say, "of President Roosevelt today when he was told by a prominent Pennsylvania banker that the people of his State wanted him for another term."

This is the plainest, most direct statement he has made in a number of months, and is considered to permanently settle any doubt that may exist as to his intention.

This rather unexpected declaration of the President was made to Samuel Watts of Lewiston, Pa., president of four national banks, and still active in business at eighty-six years of age. He was presented at the White House by B. H. Warner of Washington. Mr. Watts told the President that he had made such a good executive the people wanted him again and could not afford to dispense with his services. The President's answer, quoted above, was quickly and decisively made, according to the Star.

Several recent events would indicate that this time the President's decision is final. It would not be surprising if he should see his way clear to make an official announcement to the people of the country at large at an early date. For reasons of his own, however, he may prefer to withhold it for some time to come.

MEN WHO KNOW HOW.

"But we think, in any event, that the government of cities is better for having in charge of it men who themselves will feel the burden of their own acts in common with their fellows."—Lowell Courier-Citizen.

This probably means that it is well to select men for public office who have something at stake. That is, something to lose as well as to gain. And in a measure this is true and any hurrah that may be made against the "little poll-tax payer" does not, can not alter it.

Of course there is no positive guarantee that a man with property will not prove less capable than one with out any worldly assets, except honesty and good health, but as a general rule, better results have been obtained in the past from men who know what it is to accumulate and to manage property of their own, than from some very "good fellows" who get into places of responsibility, solely because of personal popularity which their companionable natures have won for them.

All cities have had plenty of experience with the latter class and the tax payers can tell you the result.

Of course there are numerous exceptions to this general rule; in fact, we have in mind some poor men, everyday working men, "poll tax payers" if you will, who have made exceptionally good public servants and here's to them. May their shadows never grow less.

WILL STICK TO FOOTBALL.

Swarthmore College, the well-known Quaker School of Pennsylvania, has decided to refuse to accept the bequest of Miss Jeanes, who left it $1,000,000 in her will.

There was a string attached to the bequest, however, in the shape of a condition that the college do away with all athletic sports.

The college authorities took the matter under serious advisement, for indeed they wanted, in fact, it is said, that they seriously needed Miss Jeanes' million dollars. After much deliberation and careful study of the subject from all sides they decided to stick to football, baseball and other sports and this on the ground that it is not right for an educational institution to give up any of its rights for a mere cash consideration, even if the amount does count up into a round million.

The faculty took the ground, and very wisely, that if the sports were wrong they would not be permitted under any circumstances, and that if they were not wrong they shouldn't be bought off. That was a common sense way of looking at the matter, and the conclusion will be applauded.

In the meantime Swarthmore College is out a cool million dollars, although it may have maintained its dignity.

A UNIQUE RAILROAD PRESIDENT.

President Mellen, of the New Haven railroad system in New England, has set the executive heads of other big trunk lines an example well worthy of emulation.

If the press reports are to be relied on, he recently assured the employees of his corporation that no wage reduction was contemplated but added that if the worst came to worst and if there was any cutting to be done, it would begin, not at the bottom of the list but at the top. In fact he went on to explain that by "the top," he meant "right here in these offices and among the officers and high officials."

An ounce of this brand of the commervial square deal, of commercial philanthropy, if you will have it that way is worth a ton of sermons regarding "closer relations and co-operation between capital and labor, and employer and employees.

It is founded on the eminently just premise that in times of financial stringency the men who enjoy the ease and luxuries of living should be the first to suffer, as against those lower down whose pay is largely absorbed in procuring the necessities of life.

There would be fewer strikes and lockouts, less antagonism towards corporations, if such principles were brought into more universal observance.

MORE BUSINESS—LESS POLITICS

"What we want is more business and less politics," says Senator Rayner. Yes; but what would be the use of Congress if we played things that way?—Washington Herald.

Of course there is a certain vein of levity in the Herald's inquiry. But nevertheless the same question could be asked in all seriousness.

There are many solid, sound and substantial business men in this country who look upon politics, not only with suspicion, but with a great deal of impatience.

Everybody should know, however, that in a government by the people there must be politics and more or less of them, all the time.

If Senator Rayner would put it "cleaner business and cleaner politics" he would come nearer hitting the situation about right.

An automobile run from New York to Paris is now being discussed and it is possible that it will be arranged. As may be imagined, this is not a "pipe dream." The route is to be across the American Continent, to the northwest portion of Alaska, across Bering straits on the ice, across the vast plains of Siberia, through Russia and thence through Europe to Paris. The chief difficulty with the scheme would be the supplying of fuel for the motors. There are few gasoline supply stations in Alaska and still fewer on the Siberian plains. Such a run as this would be worth talking about.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—The gold cure seems to have done the work for the country. We trust it will now remain sober.—Charlotte News.

—Our governor is great as a prohibitionist but his influence in his home town is an unknown quantity.—Durham Morning Herald.

—The Russian bomb artist's admiration, like that of the Filipino, cannot be transferred into votes—which is the worst feature of the matter with Mr. Taft.—Charlotte News.

—On the whole Judge Long ought to feel pretty well satisfied with the result, his position having been upheld in most respects.—Greensboro Telegram.

—The fact must not be overlooked that for tossing-up purposes the new $10 gold piece has head or tail facilities that are not excelled by those of any other coin. — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—Ex-President Cleveland is a great admirer of George B. McClellan, the young mayor of Greater New York. They have many tastes in common, including their warm regard for Princeton University and their equally warm dislike for Tammany politics.—Charlotte News.

—Uncle Sam is a good employer. With 306,140 persons in his employ, there is never a strike or suggestion of one. At the same time his business is conducted with profit. If his methods were imitated by large corporations and industries having long lists of employes there would be a decided diminution of what are known as labor troubles.—Raleigh Evening Times.

—Secretary Metcalf does not believe that desertion from the navy should cause the loss of citizenship or act as a bar to the acquiring of citizenship. He explains that in time of war there are no desertions, while in time of peace desertions often result from the fact that youngsters, getting into bad company and overstaying shore leave, are afraid to return. Coming from the head of the navy, an official to whom the crime of desertion must seem especially deplorable, the view carries more weight than if from almost any other source. —Philadelphia Ledger.

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—"What do you like best at school, my boy?" "The recess."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

—"You are too dissipated to make a good husband." "But, sir, I love your daughter." So do I."—Washington Herald.

—"Why so dejected, Baron?" "Hard luck! Wife ran away with chauffeur —I'll never get such a good man again."—Fliegende Blatter

—"You say that red-headed widow is going to marry a very ignorant man?" "Yes; he is ignorant of the fact that she is going to marry him." —Houston Post.

—Perverse.—Wife—Do come over to Mrs. Barker's with me, John. She'll make you feel just as if you were at home. Her Husband—Then what's the use of going?—Judge.

—"I hear your wife is studying Esperanto. Mr. Henpeck. "Yes, she has decided that it will be about the nearest she can ever come to taking in all the languages at once."—Chicago Record-Herald.

—Prosaic.—"And methought the air grew denser. Incense from an unseen censer?" murmured the poet. "Naw," responded a practical person. "Gasoline from a buzzwagon that just passed."—Washington Herald.

—He Understood—"I think I'll go into the meat business," declared the real estate man. "What do you know about the meat business?" "I've figured out the principles of the game. You buy an unimproved cow and subdivide it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—A Gentle Knock.—Higgins—My "vet" was greatly pleased with that horse you sold me. Wiggins—What pleased him about the animal? Higgins—Why, he discovered twelve new diseases he never suspected before.—Illustrated Bits.

—Sister—I know Jack is in love with me. Brother—What makes you think so? Sister—His hand trembled when he buttoned my glove for me this morning. Brother—Guess again. I was out with him last night.—Cleveland Leader.

—A Little Anxious.—A physician writes to the London Spectator that he was recently attending a patient whose husband came to see him concerning her condition, and greeted him with the words, "Mr. Irving do you think there is any need for any unnecessary anxiety about my wife?"—Woman's Home Companion.

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Total		$731,799 90
Liabilities:		
Capital Stock		$ 30,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		50,792 99
Dividends Unpaid		7.50
Deposits subject to check	$511,257 46	
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Total		$731,799 90

I, F. W. Dick, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. W. DICK, Cashier.

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Suburban Schedule

(In Effect Sunday, Oct. 13th, 1907.)
Daily Except Sunday.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
7:00 A M	6:25 A M	
7:30 A M	7:55 A M	7:45 A M
8:30 A M	8:25 A M	8:15 A M
10:00 A M	9:25 A M	9:15 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P.M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:45 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

Freight Schedule

Leave Wilmington 4:00 P. M. (daily except Sunday).

Freight received at Ninth and Orange from 3 to 4 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE SCHEDULE

Cars will be operated between Front and Princess and Seventeenth and Market every 20 minutes. Leaving Front and Princess at 6:55 A. M. until 9:55 P. M.

Leaving Seventeenth and Market from 7:05 A. M. until 10:05 P. M. All Suburban cars will make regular stops at Delgado.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
9:00 A M		
10:00 A M	9:55 A M	9:45 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:15 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45 P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

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Happenings and Doings In Society.

BY M. H.

Miss Louise Knight, of Baltimore, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. P. Collier, on North Front street.

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Friends of Mr. George Lynch were pleased to see him in the city for a few days during the past week and regret that his visit should have been so brief.

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The many friends of Miss Helen Strange will be pleased to know that she returned to her home on Monday last, after an abseuce of several months.

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Mr. Hal Boatwright, who is now a student at the University of North Carolina, was in the city during the past week for a visit of several days to his parents.

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After a visit of several weeks to friends in Baltimore and Fredericksburg, Miss Martha Williams has returned to her home, much to the pleasure of her many friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Battle and little daughter, Nancy, of Raleigh, are visiting Mrs. Battle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Clark, on Dock street. Mrs. Battle will remain in the city for several weeks.

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Misses Daisy and Rosalie Burbank, and Miss Nellie Savage, returned to the city on Monday last, after spending several days in Raleigh, where they went to see Miss Delmar Burbank, who is attending St. Mary's School.

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Among out of town guests who were here to attend the Gibson-Dawson wedding, were Mrs. William Dawson and Miss Emma Dawson, of Baltimore, Mr. J. H. L. Eagel, of New York, and Mr. Henry Smith, of Philadelphia, who was the best man.

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Friends of Mr. Sidney McDonald were pleased to see him in the city last week, where he spent several days with his father. Mr. McDonald is now attending the A. and M. at Raleigh, and is greatly missed by his friends in Wilmington.

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The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles, Jr. were pleased to welcome them back to the city, during the past week. They are at home to their friends at the home of the Rev. Alex. Seabrease, on South Fourth street.

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A pleasant addition to Wilmington society are Mr. and Mrs. William A. Baxter, of Goldsboro, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. Baxter are guests of Mrs. Annie Harrison, on North Fourth street, and their friends are glad to welcome them to this city.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Flagler arrived in the city on Wednesday last, and are the guests of Mrs. Flagler's mother. Their many friends are glad to know that they will spend some time in Wilmington before leaving for their home in Florida.

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One of the pleasantest of all the entertainments of the past week, was an oyster roast, given by Miss Martha Williams, complimentary to the Gibson-Dawson bridal party. The party went in automobiles to the "Light House" on Wrightsville Sound, where the oyster roast was served.

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On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. William A. Wright entertained about thirty of her friends at a very delightful afternoon "Tea." After several hours of pleasant social intercourse, dainty refreshments were served and those who were present declared it to be a most enjoyable affair.

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The numerous friends of Major Charles P. Bolles, of Washington, D. C., are extending to him a very cordial welcome to his old home. Major Bolles is in the Civil Service Department at Washington and his friends here are glad to know that he will remain in Wilmington for the holidays.

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Much to the regret of all with whom she became acquainted during her visit to Miss Florence Kidder in this city, Miss Elise Burton, of Kentucky, left for a visit to friends in Savannah on Tuesday last. Miss Burton has been a most popular visitor to the city and her friends here hope that she will soon repeat her visit.

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Miss Sue Catlett invited a number of her friends to assist her to celebrate her eighteenth birthday anniversary, on Friday evening, when she gave a delightful card party. Six-hand euchre was played. Miss Catlett is one of the debutantes of this season. The house was beautifully decorated with ferns and cut flowers, yellow being the predominating color.

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Much to the regret of his many friends in Wilmington, Mr. William A. Peschau left for Waycross on Monday last, where he will be located for the next few months, occupying a responsible position with the Atlantic Coast Line at that point. Mr. Peschau will be greatly missed by all who know him here, and his friends hope for his early return to this city.

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The friends of Mr. Ed Wootten were pleased to see him in the city during the past week, where he came to spend a few days with his parents. Mr. Wootten now holds a position with the Westinghouse Company, in Atlanta, Ga., and left on Saturday for Charlotte, where he has gone on business, but his friends will be pleased to learn that he will return to Wilmington before going back to Atlanta.

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On Thursday evening a very delightful dance was given by L'Arioso German Club, complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles, Jr., who have just returned from their wedding trip. The hall was very prettily decorated with bamboo and other holiday greens, and on the Southern wall were the names "Seabrease-Giles" in floral letters. Many couples participated, and the dance was declared to be a great success.

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The marriage of Miss Bessie May Gibson to Mr. Asa H. Dawson on Tuesday last, was an event of much interest to their many friends. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, and the house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Dawson will make their home in Philadelphia, Pa., where Mr. Dawson is located, and the best wishes of all their friends follow them to their new home.

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The attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Willard was thrown open to their friends, on Thursday last, when Mrs. Willard invited a number of guests to a very pretty "tea," which was given to two of the seasons' debutantes, Miss Amoret Lord and Miss Theo. Cantwell. The house was prettily decorated with ferns, Southern smilax and cut flowers, the predominating color being pink. This was considered one of the prettiest teas which has been given this season.

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The Charlotte Observer during the past week published in full a most interesting paper read by Mrs. H. D. Burkheimer recently before the civic section of the Woman's Club of Charlotte on "The Needs of Our City." Mrs. Burkheimer wrote from a woman's viewpoint on better sanitation, improved streets, a central market, pure water supply, large police force and other things which might be profitably suggested to many another city in North Carolina.

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Judge Thomas Ruffin Roulhac died recently at his home in Sheffield, Ala., aged 61. He was a brave Confederate soldier, at one time adjutant of the 49 N. C. Regiment. He was a grandson of Chief Justice Ruffin and had a large circle of relatives and friends in this State. He was born in Raleigh, N. C., but resided in Hillsboro, N. C., till his removal to Alabama. At one time he was on the Superior Court bench of that State and later U. S. District Attorney. He leaves a widow, three sons and two daughters.

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Miss Julia Worth is in Raleigh, where she is the guest of Miss Edith Pou. Miss Worth is greatly missed by her many friends in Wilmington.

We see by a Virginia paper an account of one of the brilliant social events of the season—the Thanksgiving Hop at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington. Among the dancers was Miss Carolina Sale Hardwicke, of Wilmington, N. C., with Cadet A. Kin, of Mississippi. Miss Hardwicke is the guest of Miss Meriwether, of Buena Vista, Va., who was also one of the attendants of the "Hop."

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The news that Mr. George Thomas, of Charlotte, has been chosen captain of the University of North Carolina football team for next year will be read with keen pleasure by that young man's many friends in Wilmington. Mr. Thomas is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan S. Thomas of Charlotte. He was one of the stars on the Carolina team during the season which has just closed, playing right end, and has the qualities which will enable him, it is believed, to put forth a winning team next fall. Mr. Thomas is only about 19 years old. The honor is a distinct one in State athletic circles.

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Miss Theo. Cantwell was the hostess of a very pretty afternoon "Tea" on Wednesday, given complimentary to the debutantes. All of her guests pronounced it a most enjoyable affair, and Miss Cantwell proved herself a most gracious hostess. Those present were: Misses Amoret Lord, May Ella Moore, Florence Kidder, Helen Strange, Jennie Murchison, Fannie Murchison, Atha Hicks, Virginia Bailey, Thurber Gore, Sue Catlett, Louise Beery, Blanch Morton, Gertrude Sullivan, Jane Iredell Green, Agnes McQueen, Alice Wright, Marguerite Walker, Helen Clark and Alice Davis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Washington Catlett gave a very pretty reception at their hospitable home on Orange street on Friday evening to the Rev. William E. Cox, who is the new rector of St. John's Episcopal Church. Those who were invited to assist Mr. and Mrs. Catlett to receive their guests were as follows, though it was regretted that some of them could not accept: The Rt. Rev. Robert Strange and wife, Dr. and Mrs. James Carmichael, Rev. Thomas P. Noe, Rev. Alex. Seabrease, Rev. Edward Wootten and wife, Rev. R. W. Hogue and wife. Mr. Catlett is Junior Warden of St. John's Church, and it is most fitting that Mr. Cox should have been introduced from his home.

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At the residence of the bride's parents, Captain and Mrs. W. G. Whitt in Hamlet on Monday evening, Mr. Raymond Murray Benton and Miss Jessie Olive Whitt were happily united in marriage by the bride's pastor. Rev. T. A. Sykes. The home was beautifully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers and nothing could have been added to the beauty of the surroundings. The bride was gowned in white silk and carried bride's roses. The presents were numerous and very beautiful among the large number being a handsome chest of silver from the Order of Railway Conductors, the groom being one of the popular Seaboard Air Line conductors between Hamlet and Wilmington.

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The following from Raleigh "News and Observer"), will be of interest to the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Flagler in this city: Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, who are the guests of Colonel T. S. Kenan, have been the recipients of many social attentions. They are en route to Florida for the winter. On Friday evening Colonel and Mrs. A. B. Andrews entertained Mr. and Mrs. Flagler at a dinner party, and yesterday afternoon Mrs. E. Chambers Smith gave a small card party in honor of Mrs. Flagler. The participants were: Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Flagler, Mrs. Margaret Busbee Shipp, Mrs. E. H. Fellows, Mrs. H. E. Litchford, Mrs. C. M. Busbee, Mrs. William Royall, Mrs. H. W. Jackson, Mrs. R. D. W. Connor, Mrs. W. H. Williamson, Mrs. Bennehan Cameron, Mrs. H. A. Royster.

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Miss Esther May Carney of Norfolk, Va., and Mr. George Baynham Rice of Wilmington, were married at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin A. Carney, 407 Clifford street, Norfolk. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a large gathering in the parlors of the Carney residence. There were many out-of-town guests, several coming from Wilmington with the bridegroom. Rev. Charles F. Rankin, pastor of the First Presbyterian church officiated. Miss Sue Rice, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, while Mrs. Fred Ellis, of Norfolk, was matron of honor. The groom's attendants were Mr. Percy B. Carney, brother of the bride, and Mr. Samuel Arnold of Wilmington. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Rice left on the Washington steamer for a bridal tour. Upon their return they will go to Macon, Ga., where Mr. Rice will be located in the railroad business.

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A very delightful party was given by Miss Helen Clark, on Monday evening, complimentary to Miss Gertrude Sullivan, who is the guest of Miss Jane Iredell Green. Miss Clark's guests were surprised and delighted to find that it was to be an "Initial or Placard Party," and as this was an innovation, all hailed it with delight. The initials of the guests were used to assist them in guessing the names of books, and the one who guessed the largest number was awarded a prize. Several of the guests had to cut for the first prize, which was a book, entitled "The Younger Set," and Miss Theo. Cantwell was the fortunate one who received it. The "Booby" prize was won by Mr. Louis Hatch, and was a toast which runs as follows:

"There's so much bad in the best of us,
And so much good in the worst of us,
It hardly behooves any of us
To speak ill of the rest of us."

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Favetteville, N. C., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Frank H. Stedman most delightfully entertained the Thursday Afternoon Bridge Club at her charming home on Haymount this week. Her reputation as a hostess since removing to Fayetteville has become quite an enviable one and she has a great many friends in the social realm in this city. Last Wednesday Mrs. Stedman entertained at a delightful tea at her lovely home. The house was strikingly pretty in its decorations of palms, ferns and handsome vari-colored chrysanthemums. Mrs. Stedman was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. Frank Blount, Mrs. Newton H. Smith, and Miss Fan Williams in the drawing room; Mrs. Samuel H. Strange and Mrs. John Underwood in the hall; Misses Elizabeth Williams, Mamie Alexander, Cooper

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HUMOR OF LONDON CABBIES.

Some of Their Remarks When the Tip Is Not Forthcoming.

Some of the hansom fraternity of London have no sense of humor, but the majority are decidedly facetious, says London Tit-Bits. Here are some examples of witty and sarcastic "cabbyisms."

To appreciate them properly it must be understood that the fare has offered a single shilling in payment for a ride just within the two mile limit.

"Are you quite sure you can spare this?" remarks the cabby with a bump of humor. "D'ye think you'll be able to rub along on the other nineteen till next Friday? It's goin' the pace, y'know."

"If you'll take my tip, guv'nor," runs another form of gentle reproach, "you'll go and see an oculist. You 'ailed this bus by mistake. You wants a red or green or yellow bus. Black ain't in your line at all."

"Thank yer, gov'nor," says another cabby, with apparent emotion; "thank yer, kindly. Yer offer is well meant, but I couldn't go for to do it." Saying which he makes a pretense of handing the shilling back to the astonished fare. "But I can't sell him, guv'nor, and that's a fact. Yer 'andsome hoffer'd make me rich for life, but I tell yer I can't sell 'im."

One cabby, who was an excellent actor, on receiving his shilling burst into tears and between his loud sobs jerked out: "I'm sorry you force it on me, guv'nor, I am really. The hincome tax people'll be down on me now."

An excellent "cabbyism" was perpetrated in the suburbs one night. As the fare let himself into the house he was regaled somewhat as follows: "Go in quietly, sir, in case the old woman wakes up and 'ears me drivin' away. She might stop the rest of yer pocket money for this extravagance."

A Bit of Superstition.

Superstition is by no means dead, even in ultra civilized England, says London Answers. One Sunday, a few months ago, an interesting proof of this fact was seen in the parish church of Sutcombe, in north Devon. A woman who suffered from epilepsy sat in the porch as the congregation came out from morning service, and thirty married men, who at her request had attended church, passed her one by one. As they passed each dropped a penny in her lap. The thirtieth took the pennies and gave the woman a half crown, which was to be made into a ring for her to wear. Vain superstition, you exclaim. Yet another woman, also a martyr to epileptic fits, who went through the same ceremony at the same place nineteen years ago has never since suffered.

MOSLEM ETIQUETTE.

Always Be In Good Humor and Talk Pleasant Things.

Here are some interesting Mussulman injunctions of conviviality, says the London Lancet. The honor of being served first belongs to the invited guest who is in the possession of any high title or who has in any way or sphere distinguished himself. If the host himself is the oldest in the company or has any high decoration of merit, he must first begin the meal without delay in order not to let the others unduly wait. It shows bad upbringing to be in a melancholy mood at table or to speak of disagreeable things or to engage in inappropriate discussions on matters of religious piety. Foremost of all, one must always be in good humor and talk of pleasant things, as did the prophet himself.

You must always help yourself from the side of the dish nearest to you and never try to find out the best bits, which ought to be left for other guests. If one of the invited has not much appetite, you must ask him up to three times with some kind chosen words to partake of the meals. A longer insistence would cause ennui and would be most inappropriate. You must never stop eating before others, because in doing so you will embarrass them and cause them to finish quickly in imitating you.

Never eat gluttonously, but also never attempt to conceal your good appetite. Always eat little by little. Exaggerated compliments are always misplaced. The host's duty is to make his guests feel as comfortable as possible, encouraging the timid and shy. It is contrary to good taste to address and to fix the attention of a guest when he is eating. Even if the host is not accustomed to eat much he must always try not to finish before others. Should any dish be forbidden to him by his medical attendant he certainly must not partake of it, but must at the same time excuse himself before his guests.

It is absolutely necessary to avoid every movement or gesture which is apt to create disgust.

Postoffice "Derelicts."

On an average no less than 130,000 letters are posted annually without any address, some of them containing money which amounts to about £6,000 a year. Among the cryptographic addresses submitted for decipherment to the postoffice expert were "Obanvidock," which being interpreted is "Holborn Viaduct," and "Hilewite," which stands more obviously for "Isle of Wight." These were easy of decipherment compared with a letter addressed "Haselfeach in no famptshere," which nevertheless was duly forwarded to "Hazelbeach, Northamptonshire," and with another thus superscribed, "To the Cectery of Wore, Chelsey Osilttle, London, Queen Victoria," which was duly delivered to the secretary of war. —T. P.'s London Weekly.

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THIS STATE FIRST

Where North Carolina Sits is "Head of The Table"—Brief and Comprehensive Statement of Leadership in History.

At the recent meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy, representing all the States where there are chapters of this organization, Mrs. I. W. Faison, president of the North Carolina Society, in making the report of the work of North Carolina, took occasion to give a brief summary of how North Carolina has led in important historical movements. From her admirable report the following extracts, which will be of general interest, are taken:

"History shows that North Carolina stands first in whatever she undertakes. North Carolina has many historic facts for which she has never been given credit by some. Situated between Virginia on the one hand and South Carolina on the other, and always a very modest State, she did not proclaim these facts as the other two States, who have made the welkin ring as it were, of their deeds of valor. For every fact that they can give we can give one better. A few of these are:

(1.) First soldier killed in battle at Bethel was Henry L. Wyatt, of North Carolina.

(2.) The first settlement of America was made in 1585 on Roanoke Island. North Carolina.

(3.) The first white child born on American soil was on this island.

(4.) North Carolina had the first "tea party" at Edenton and Wilmington, sometime before the noted one in Boston, Mass., and were not disguised as Indians as they were, but boldly proclaimed that they would not be taxed unjustly and threw the tea overboard.

(5.) She declared her independence of the British crown in Charlotte, Mecklenburg county, N. C., May the 20th, 1775, more than a year before it was declared in Philadelphia, Pa.

(6.) But the grandest of all, North Carolina was "first at Bethel, farthest at Chickamauga and Gettysburg, and last at Appomattox.

(7.) Out of a voting population of 115,000, North Carolina sent 125,000 men to the field; more than one-fifth of the men furnished by the Southern States.

(8.) It was in the hour of the last march of our troops General Lee said: "God bless North Carolina."

(9.) In the late Cuban war the first man killed in the army was Lieutenant W. E. Shipp, of Charlotte, N. C., in the navy the first man killed was Worth Bagley, of Raleigh, N. C.

(10.) North Carolina's troops placed the first American flag on Morro Castle, Cuba.

(11.) Arlington Cemetery, as we now know it, was formally established in May, 1864, and it is stated that the first interment therein was that of George L. Reinheart, a Confederate soldier of the 26th and 23rd North Carolina Infantry.

(12.) North Carolina was the first State to break ground for a building at the Jamestown Exposition and had the biggest day of any State during the whole time of the exposition.

(13.) North Carolina was the first State to endorse the building of Beauvoir, the U. D. C. building of Virginia.

(14.) North Carolina's governor, R. B. Glenn, and Judge Long have the distinction of being the first to discuss the much mooted question, the rate law, and declaring again for State's rights.

(15.) North Carolina was the first State in the Union to organize a Peace Society auxiliary to the Association for International Conciliation and one of her sons ,Mr. Hayne Davis, now of New York City, is secretary of the American Branch of the Association.

New Chapters.

"During the past year the following chapters have been chartered: Clayton Chapter, at Clayton; Emaline J. Pegott Chapter, at Morehead City; Holt-Saunders Chapter, at Smithfield; Mary Lee Chapter, at Painter, Jackson county; Frank M. Parker Chapter, at Enfield; also eight children's chapters at Durham, Greensboro, Tarboro, Wadesboro, Littleton, Selma, Weldon and Albemarle.

"We have 80 chapters in the State and over 3,000 members, and 21 children's chapters. Five were chartered during the year and there would have been more, but our beloved president Mrs. W. S. Parker, was prevented from further work by the illness of her daughter. She was a faithful and diligent worker and could have done much good, but for this sorrow. I as her successor, shall endeavor to keep up the standard of our work."

"The saying that a 'Land without monuments is a land without memories' is no longer true of North Carolina, and our hearts are gladdened that so many monuments are being and have been built all over the State * * Plans for the proposed monument to Henry L. Wyatt, of North Carolina, the first soldier killed in the battle of Bethel, are perfected, and it will soon be erected. A drinking fountain is to be placed on the capitol square in Raleigh in his memory. In our State convention in Greensboro a month ago we unveiled a portrait of Julian S. Carr, which will be placed in the North Carolina room at Richmond, Va. He is noted for being the best friend of living veterans. We also have funds on hand for portraits of General Robert Ransom and of Captain Randolph Shotwell, who made himself famous during the reconstruction of the Klu-Klux days.

"A movement was inaugurated to erect a monument on the campus of the State University at Chapel Hill to the boys who put aside their books, donned a uniform, shouldered their guns and went to the front in defense of a cause their fathers knew to be right. We have $700 on hand at interest for our memorial arch at Confederate Cemetery in Raleigh; also contributions for Arlington and Wirz monuments, two monuments, I think, ought to be erected at once, and by the help of all the States.

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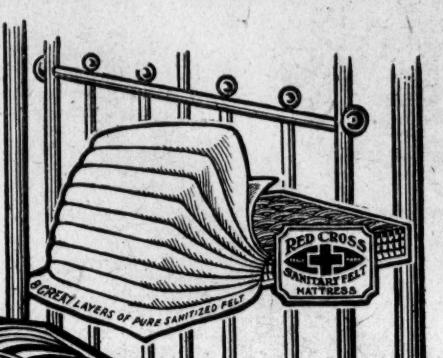

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Society.

(Continued From Page Three.)

Smith, and Sue McNeill in the dining room, and Mrs. George M. Rose, and Miss Kate Broadfoot served coffee. An immense throng of society women attended this delightful function.

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Mrs. Kellar and Miss Kellar will remain as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Myers for the Christmas holidays.

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Friends of Mr. Edwin McKoy, of New Orleans, are pleased to see him in the city, where he will spend several days.

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Miss Nellie Durham, who has been spending a visit of several weeks in the mountains of Virginia and points North, has returned home and is being warmly greeted by her many friends here.

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Friends in the city have recently received cards to the approaching marriage of Miss Margaret M. Ashe to Mr. S. A. Stockard, which will take place at St. James Church, Tuesday, December tenth, at five-forty-five o'clock.

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Mrs. B. M. Chiswell and little son, Mr. William Bellamy Chiswell, of Washington, D. C., are being cordially greeted by their many friends here, where they are visiting Mrs. Chiswell's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy, on Orange Street.

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Mrs. C. M. Keller and daughter, Miss Frances Keller, of New York, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Myers, on St. James Square. Mrs. Keller, who is a sister of Mr. Myers,' is visiting Wilmington for the first time in twenty years, and her many friends here are extending to her a most cordial welcome.

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Lieut. and Mrs. Edwin A. Anderson, after spending the past two months at the Anderson Home on Masonboro Sound, returned to Cincinnati, on Friday last, where Lieutenant Anderson will be on shore duty for the next two years.

Their departure is a matter of great regret to their many friends here, and it is hoped they may return at an early date.

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The following invitations have been issued to friends in the city:

Mrs. Edwin Cameron Holt
Miss DuPre
Tuesday, December tenth
From 6:30 until 7:30
514 Market Street.

Miss DuPre, who is of Spartanburg, is the very attractive guest of Mrs. Holt, and is most pleasantly remembered here, where she visited several summers ago.

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The Junior Auxiliary Society of St. John's Church entertained most delightfully at an informal tea given at the home of Mrs. James F. Woolvin, on Friday afternoon. Members of the Society were prettily costumed as Japanese, and the entire scheme of the tea was Oriental. Dainty refreshments were served, and all who attended voted it a most enjoyable affair.

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Of the many social events occurring at Easton, Maryland, a large house-party given by Miss Heloise Beebe is generally conceded to have been one of the most successful and enjoyable of the season. Those who attended as guests were: Miss Julia Haughton, of Washington, N. C., who is most pleasantly known here; Misses Dorothy and Virginia Kimey, two of the most attractive young ladies of Talbot County, Maryland; Miss Rebecca Mix, of Crawford, New Jersey, and Miss Beebe's sister, Miss Minnie Beebe, who has frequently been a most attractive and popular visitor to Wilmington, and who is now attending St Mary's School, in New York City.

The gentlemen of the party were: Mr. Henry Trippe, of New York City, Mr. Sidney Henry, of Cambridge, Mass.; Mr. Robert Marshbank, of Philadelphia, and Mr. Fred Duval, of Baltimore; Mr. Thomas H. Wright and Mr. Burke H. Bridgers, of this city, and Mr. S. C. Potts, of Colon, Panama, who is now spending the remainder of his vacation in New York City, were also among the number of invited guests, but were unable to attend.

Miss Beebe is a most charming and accomplished hostess, and her invitations always bring with them assurances of unusually pleasant entertainment.

LUMBERTON NEWS NOTES

Variety of Local and Personal Items From Robeson's County Seat.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 7.—Yesterday morning was the coldest of the season. The mercury dropped to 19——The contractors who were recently awarded the work now have a force of men engaged in extending the water and sewerage systems of the town——Among the cases that have been tried in the Superior Court here this week was a suit for divorce brought by a man, who we are told, is 81 years of age——Owing to the increase in their business, Dr. J. D. McMillan & Son have found it necessary to employ another pharmacist and have secured the services of Mr. G. W. Pleasants, of Aberdeen, who has had several years experience——The sweet potato crop throughout this section is said to be an abundant one and farmers are selling them at 50 cents per bushel The country is also well supplied with collards and turnips.

A large force of laborers are now engaged on the new Court House, which is to be completed by next June according to contract——Among those who are attending the Baptist State Convention in Wilmington are Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, and Mr. W. H. Humphrey are attending the Methodist Conference in Newbern——Mr. E. G. Cipher was called to Washington City first of the week on account of the death of his grandfather——Mr. Joe Prevatt and family moved from their country residence to Lumberton this week where they expect to make their future home——The young man who had his leg broken in a Seaboard freight wreck near Bladenboro Tuesday afternoon and was brought to Dr. Thompson's hospital, is doing nicely but will be laid up for several weeks——The weather being favorable for killing hogs, many farmers are taking advantage of it and the market is well supplied with fresh pork.

A series of revival meetings will begin here tomorrow in the Gospel Tabernacle. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Newton.

Mrs. Emily McLeod, who has been in Baltimore for treatment for the past several weeks, is expected home next week——Mr. F. G. Baldwin, of Portsmouth, Va., who spent most of his boyhood in Lumberton, was a visitor here this week for the first time in 15 years——County Superintendent J. R. Poole has been kept busy for the past three weeks visiting the schools through the county and reports them in fine condition. While many children have been kept away from school during the cotton-picking season, the attendance has been a good average.

Captain W. G. Allen, who was for two years road superintendent, of this county, but returned to Raleigh where he is now superintendent of roads in Wake county, was here this week looking after the construction of an iron bridge which he sold the county to be erected at McNeill's bridge, across Lumber River.

Young Mr. Burney, who had his skull broken at a saw mill near Smith's Bridge some days ago, as reported in this correspondence at the time, is still living and doing very well.

The squad of State convicts which has been working on the Virginia and Carolina Southern Railroad for several months, left this morning. Work on the road will probably not be resumed before Spring.

SOME PROHIBITION VIEWS

Distinguished Men Who Have Had Something to Say on Question.

Thaddeus Stevens.

"I should be glad if legislation could cure intemperance, but I have seen it tried and tried in vain. I do not believe that sumptuary laws ever had any effect to stop abuses in any country. When I was a young man I was in a State legislature, and moved that the sale of liquor be prohibited in my district, and the motion was carried. I did not find that I thereby made one drunkard the less—they would only drink the more when they had a chance. There is no other way than by moral suasion for the reformation of the world on the subject of drunkenness."

Colonel George E. Waring.

"If anything has been proved by a third of a century of prohibition it is that it does not prohibit. It prevents the regulation of the liquor traffic and the collection of public revenue. It does not prevent the excessive and demoralizing use of liquor in open and exultant violation of law. No fair view can be taken of the situation without bearing constantly in mind that this is a land of absolute religious freedom; that one has as much legal right to believe one thing as another or to believe nothing. The church may persuade a man; it cannot force him."

Dr. Reid, Editor of the "Lancet."

"Teetotalers make more drunkards to redeem. Wherever they succeed in securing coercive legislation against alcohol, they swell the tide of inebriety. Among the southern nations of the world, where alcohol is found as one of the everyday beverages of the people, excessive drinking and consequent drunkenness are reduced to a minimum. London, Chicago and New York, which are without prohibition, have respectively only 7, 13 and 23 drunkards per 1,000, while Portland, Me., the classic prohibition State, has 45."

Lord Salisbury.

"You wish to prevent a certain number of people from getting drunk. Therefore you ask us to prevent four five or six times as many, who are sober consumers, from having an opportunity of the free indulgence to which they have a right. Why are we to punish the innocent in place of the guilty? The rich who possess or can possess wine cellars are free from the attacks of the prohibition reformers. It is the poor, the working people, that the law inconveniences. This kind of legislation is absolutely of a class character."

Oliver Wendell Holmes and 126 Doctors.

"We, the undersigned, physicians of Massachusetts, while advocating temperance among our people, and all appropriate measures to promote it, believe that the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor would not accomplish its intended purpose, but would lead to the surreptitious sale of inferior wines and liquors."

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.
HENRY J. BIGELOW,
AND 125 OTHERS.

—"Beg pardon, sir," began the beggar, stopping a suburbanite at the ferry. "Can you spare a few cents to help me across the river?" "Haven't you any money at all?" inquired the pedestrian. "Not a cent," replied the beggar. "Umph," grunted the pedestrian. "What difference does it make which side of the river you're on?"—Lippincott's Magazine.

A Real Wonderland.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him. "Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by R. R. Bellamy, druggist, 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle free.

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MARK TWAIN'S CHILDREN.

A Case Where Attempted Punishment Proved a Hopeless Failure.

Ordinary punishments answered very well for Susy. She was a thinker and would reason out the purpose of them, apply the lesson and achieve the reform required. But it was much less easy to devise punishments that would reform Clara. This was because she was a philosopher who was always turning her attention to finding something good and satisfactory and entertaining in everything that came her way. Consequently it was sometimes pretty discouraging to the troubled mother to find that after all her pains and thought in inventing what she meant to be a severe and reform compelling punishment the child had entirely missed the severities through her native disposition to get interest and pleasure out of them as novelties. The mother, in her anxiety to find a penalty that would take sharp hold and do its work effectively, at last resorted, with a sore heart and with a reproachful conscience, to that punishment which the incorrigible criminal in the penitentiary dreads above all the other punitive miseries which the warden inflicts upon him for his good—solitary confinement in the dark chamber. The grieved and worried mother shut Clara up in a very small clothes closet and went away and left her there—for fifteen minutes. It was all that the mother heart could endure. Then she came softly back and listened—listened for the sobs, but there weren't any; there were muffled and inarticulate sounds, but they could not be construed into sobs. The mother waited half an hour longer. By that time she was suffering so intensely with sorrow and compassion for the little prisoner that she was not able to wait any longer for the distressed sounds which she had counted upon to inform her when there had been punishment enough and the reform accomplished. She opened the closet to set the prisoner free and take her back into her loving favor and forgiveness, but the result was not the one expected. The captive had manufactured a fairy cavern out of the closet, and friendly fairies out of the clothes hanging from the hooks and was having a most sinful and unrepentant good time and requested permission to spend the rest of the day there!—From Mark Twain's Autobiography in North American Review.

INDIAN PROVERBS.

The coward shoots with shut eyes.

Small things talk loud to the Indian's eye.

The paleface's arm is longer than his word.

When a fox walks lame, the old rabbit jumps.

A squaw's tongue runs faster than the wind's legs.

There is nothing so eloquent as a rattlesnake's tail.

The Indian scalps his enemy. The paleface skins his friends.

Two men will live together in quiet and friendship, but two squaws never.

When a man prays one day and steals six, the Great Spirit thunders and the evil one laughs.

There are three things it takes a strong man to hold—a young warrior, a wild horse and a handsome squaw.—Scrap Book.

A Dog and an Egg.

A farmer in a western state possessed two dogs, a big one called Alice and a small one that was named Billy. Alice, greedy creature, was fond of fresh eggs. When she heard a hen cackle she always ran to look for the nest. One day she found one under the fruit shed. But she could not get the egg because she was too large to go under the shed. She went away and soon returned with Billy, bringing him just before the hole.

Billy was stupid and did not understand. Alice put her head in and then her paws without being able to reach the egg. Billy seemed to understand what was wanted. He went under the shed, brought out the egg and put it before Alice, who ate it with great satisfaction, and then both dogs trotted off together.—Chicago Tribune.

Lively In the Tenements.

A young woman new to mission work on the east side, New York, was lately moved to comment sadly upon the monotonous and cheerless existence of the inhabitants of the tenements.

"I suppose there is little brightness and recreation in your lives," said she to an eleven-year-old girl.

"Oh, I don't know about that," answered the girl. "It ain't so dull as you might think. Dere's always somethin' doin' to keep us from gittin' blue. It's lively sometimes, all right. For instance, las' night the people on our floor was a-cuttin' up high. Dere was a gentleman next to us what had de tremens, an' de lady right across the hall from us was jagged so she nearly bit her sister's ear off."—New York Tribune.

Hurt His Feelings.

"I told you that poor young widow," began Mrs. Nuritch, "that you'd give her boy work if"—

"Well, I won't," interrupted Nuritch. "She sent him today with a note that said, 'I must find employment for my son, even if he works for a mere pittance.' The nerve of her callin' me 'a mere pittance.'"—Philadelphia Press.

A Use For Poetry.

"Do you enjoy poetry?"

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "It is a great conversational convenience. It enables people to quote instead of being stupidly original."—Washington Star.

'Tis only happiness can keep us young.—Blackwood.

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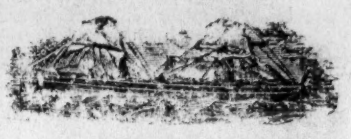

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$1,767,886 59
N. C. State Bonds	55,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	450,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
Cash	891,114 25
	$3,189,000,84

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 500,000 00
Surplus and Net Profits	227,211 61
Circulation	425,000 00
Deposits	1,936,789 23
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
	$3,189,000,84

DEPOSITS:

December 3rd, 1903, $1,457,386 48
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WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 8, 1907.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Saturday, December 7:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 38 degrees; 8 P. M., 51 degrees; maximum, 63 degrees; minimum, 36 degrees; mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, .04.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Friday 5 feet five inches.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and warmer Sunday. Monday partly cloudy light variable winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 8.

Sun Rises .....6:57 A. M.
Sun Sets .....4:46 P. M.
Day's length .....9 hrs. 55 min.
High water at Southport 10:22 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 12.52 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. L. Voliers—$25 Reward.
So. Electric Co.—Economize.
A. D. Brown—Holiday Presents.
N. Y. Herald—Christmas Edition.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Toys and Dolls.
D. L. Gore Co.—William Tell Flour.
Sloan & Sweeney—Christmas Gifts.
Hamme, The Hatter—Tenants Wanted.
W. Munroe & Co.—Red Cross Mattresses.
C. W. Polvogt Company—Christmas Novelties.
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.—Statement.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Lock, Stock and Barrel.
The A. David Co.—Get Into Our Good Clothes Game.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Mailing Clerk.
Found—Fur Neck Piece.
Lost—Male Pointer Dog.
Wanted—Good Office Boy.
For Sale—Gasoline Runabout.
Wanted—Traveling Salesman.
For Sale—Candycapps Business.
Wanted—Experienced Salesmen.
Lost—Grey Squirrel Neck Piece.
Bookkeeper—Desires Extra Work
For Rent—Two Furnished Rooms.
St. Mary's Guild—Christmas Sale.
Mrs. Knapp—Christmas Exhibition.
St. Agnes Guild—Annual Christmas Sale.
Moler Barber College—Our Catalogue.
U. S. Calendar Co.—Side Line Travelers.
Home Missionary Society—Christmas Sale.
Roger Moore's Sons & Co.—Brick and Material.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Drug Stock for Sale.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Drug Fixtures for Sale.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Soda Fountain for Sale.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. R. Humphrey, of Lumberton, N. C., was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Mr. Jordan S. Thomas, of Charlotte, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

—Mr. J. Edgar Dupree, editor of the Whiteville Echo, was a pleasant visitor to the city yesterday.

—Miss Maggie Brown has returned from Charlotte, N. C., where she has been visiting Mrs. F. D. Alexander.

—Rev. A. H. Porter, of Whiteville, who is attending the Baptist State Convention, was a pleasant caller at the Star office yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Corbett, of Ivanhoe, N. C., are guests at the home of Mr. L. J. Merriman, No. 5 Church street.

—Mr. C. C. Corbett, a delegate to the State Baptist Convention, and Mrs. Corbett are in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Merriman, No. 5 Church street.

—Mrs. N. E. Bunting and son, William McDuffie Bunting, have gone to Fayetteville to spend Christmas. Mr. Bunting will join them in Fayetteville later.

—Dr. J. W. Powell, of this city, who was suddenly called away last week on account of the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Pierce Cain, a prominent citizen and cashier of the Bank of Laurens, S. C., has returned to the city and resumed his practice in this city. Mr. Cain died suddenly last Tuesday and his family are prostrated with grief.

—Messrs. Newton St. George and Willie Grissom, of Southport, left Friday for Beaufort, S. C., in response to a telegram stating that Mr. Grissom's mother, Mrs. Mary Grissom, was quite critically ill at the home of her daughter there. A telegram to relatives in the city yesterday stated that Mrs. Grissom was improved.

Y. M. C. A. This Afternoon.

The meeting for men at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock will be of special interest to all who will attend. The Rev. Hight C. Moore, of Raleigh, one of the leading men in the State Baptist Convention, will be the speaker and the orchestra of Grace M. E. Sunday School will contribute to the musical numbers.

Do It Today—Now.

Order the Philadelphia Press Daily, one year, and they will send you a Safety Razor with it. The value of the Daily Press one year and the Safety Razor is $8.00. The Press makes the unheard of offer of both for $3.50.

Each is a Christmas Gift in itself. The Press will mail the paper one year to one address and send the Safety Razor to another if desired. The offer is good only to January 1st. **

Do your Christmas Shopping at Platt & Haar's and get Wilmington Gold Bond Stamps. **

LOCAL DOTS.

—At the regular monthly meeting of the Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, the following officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing year: President, Cuthbert Martin; Vice President, L. T. Landen; Secretary and Treasurer, J. Edwin Bunting.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters will be held at the residence of Mrs. William Latimer, No. 126 South Third street, on the morning of Tuesday at 11 o'clock. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

MR. JESSE TATE COLLINS.

Prominent and Venerable Citizen of Pender Died Yesterday.

Relatives in this city yesterday learned with sorrow of the death of Mr. Jesse Tate Collins, which occurred at 5:30 o'clock during the afternoon at his home in Burgaw, Pender county. Mr. Collins had been practically an invalid for several years and during the past several weeks his condition had been critical. While the death was not unexpected, it came as a sad blow to family and friends.

Mr. Collins was born Aug. 18th, 1835, and was, therefore, in the 73rd year of his age at the time of his death. He was the youngest son of the late Washington and Martha Collins and was married in February, 1866, to Miss Elizabeth Johnson to whom he was ever tenderly devoted. She alone of the immediate family is left to mourn her loss. Mr. Collins is also survived by one sister, Mrs. J. W. Monroe, of this city, and one brother, Mr. R. W. Collins, of Burgaw. The funeral will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Presbyterian Church in Burgaw and the service will probably be with Masonic officers, the deceased having been a member of King Solomon Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of that town. Among the relatives who will attend the funeral from Wilmington will be Mrs. Monroe, Messrs. James W. and W. P. Monroe, L. Tate Bowden and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Collins, nephews and nieces of Mr. Collins. The sorrowing ones have the tenderest sympathy of many friends in this city.

THREE ALARMS OF FIRE.

False Alarm, Telephone Alarm and Peanut Roaster in a Blaze.

Following the extraordinarily hard day's work with the cold storage plant fire on Thursday, the firemen had another strenuous day yesterday. At 9:10 A. M. a telephone alarm called the department to 515 South Fourth street, owned by ex-Judge E. K. Bryan and occupied by Mrs. Fannie Register. The cause was a defective flue and the damage to buildings and contents was about $125.

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm from the new box 212, Front and Princess, was on account of the peanut roaster of Mr. H. D. Harkey, at Front and Market streets, taking fire from a curtain. The department had a hard run but by the time the firemen arrived, Mr. J. F. Maunder at M. W. Divine & Co.'s had used a fire extinguished to good advantage and the flames were quenched with only about $5 damage.

The alarm at 7:25 P. M., from box 46, in the extreme southern part of the city, was a false one. The officers of the department were unable to ascertain by whom the alarm was sent in, but the city offers a standing reward of $25 for any person guilty of sending in a false alarm or tampering in any way with the system.

LOCAL SHIPPING NOTES

Jones Leaves for Cuban Tow—Vessels in Distress Cleared.

The Wilmington tug Alexander Jones, Captain W. A. Sanders, cleared last night for Santiago, Cuba, via Jacksonville, Fla., where she will take in tow for the island two large scows for the Cuban port. The scows belong to a New York firm and the Jones was successful in securing the contract for the tow which will require some days and is quite a valuable one.

The schooner Scotia, Captain Gilbert, from Fernandina to New York with cargo of lumber, which recently put in at Southport leaking, sailed yesterday for her destination having completed temporary repairs. Four of the colony of Poles who were recently stranded here, were secured by Captain Gilbert to assist with manning the pumps while on the voyage.

The schooner Grace Seymour, Captain Gibbs, from Boston to Georgetown, S. C., having put in here some time ago in distress, will be taken in tow by the Blanche this afternoon for her destination.

MRS. S. M. BARNES.

Most Excellent Woman of Maxton Passed Away Friday Afternoon.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Maxton, N. C., Dec. 7.—Mrs. S. M. Barnes, a most excellent lady and mother of the young men who are the active members of Barnes Brothers Drug Company, of Maxton, died here at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She was taken suddenly and seriously ill about noon but rallied once; then she became worse and passed away at the hour named in spite of all that could be done for her. Her death is a deep loss to the community. Mrs. Barnes lived at Jonesboro before coming to Maxton several years ago.

Mayor's Court Yesterday.

In the police court yesterday the most interesting defendant was Willie Lane, colored, charged with trespass, vagrancy and disorderly conduct. About 9 o'clock Mr. Frank Green discovered the negro under his house and ordered him out. He came out and ran but was captured by Mr. Green after a chase of about half a block. The charge of trespass was dismissed by Mayor Pro Tem. O'Brien on the ground that he had not been forbidden the place; his mother testified that he was not a vagrant but had regular employment and the charge of disorderly conduct against him was not sustained. Joes N. Byrd, charged with disorderly conduct, was let off with the costs.

WORK IS COMPLETED

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provide the men and money needed to accomplish this purpose.

Woman's Work was the next regular order and a splendid report was read by Rev. R. E. Neighbor, of Salisbury, who also made a stirring address upon the subject.

Rev. R. W. Hogue, of St. James' Episcopal Church, was introduced and made a most appropriate and pleasing address, after which the report on Woman's Work was adopted.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered to N. B. Broughton for his faithful 25 years of service as recording secretary.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Rev. J. F. McDuffie. Among the speakers on this report were N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh, and W. C. Barrett, of Durham. The report was finally adopted. This Board is giving aid to 34 beneficiaries and the amount contributed during the year was $3,500.

Rev. J. A. Smith, of Wilmington, read the report of the committee on obituaries and after feeling remarks by a number of the messengers, the report was unanimously adopted.

Evening Session.

Secretary Broughton called the meeting to order last night and after prayer, singing and scripture reading, Rev. T. W. Chambliss, now of Wadesboro, but recently of Missouri, made some introductory remarks and called on Rev. R. E. Neighbor to lead in prayer, after which he preached an excellent sermon from the Vision of Isaiah. He spoke of the value of visions in life. Visions lead men. The dreamer of today will be the doer of tomorrow. Visions are important because the dreamer believes in his vision and determines to make them a reality. Visions as they help us to save souls—for this is the prime work of the saved, this is what the speaker desired to leave on the hearts of his hearers. He said in part: "I would have you see four visions. The first is a vision of God. Is there a God who is a reality? Does a God who sees us, who loves us, who is interested in us? A belief in a vision of such a God as this is bound to affect us. We need a vision of God's love. The second vision we need is a vision of self. Did you ever see yourself? Oh, aren't you mean? Honest now, I am not talking about the other fellow. Get a correct vision of yourself. It will make you ashamed; it will make you repent; it will reveal your littleness. We should get a vision of the cross. Go home tonight and ask God to give you a vision of Christ as he died on the Cross for you. A vision of the Cross will make us servants of the Christ of the Cross. We need a vision of the lost. We do not believe in hell, else we could not be so well contented while people all around us are lost. We need a vision of home, of the eternal home. Such visions as these will send us out into a life of service to our fellowmen and of love and service to Christ."

Rev. G. A. Martin offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Baptist State Convention endorse and encourage the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.'

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Rev. H. C. Moore talked on evangelism in a helpful and practical way. President Carlyle made some closing remarks in which he prophesied the doom of the saloon and the greatest advance ever known in missions during the coming year.

The convention then adjourned to meet 12 months hence at such a place as will be named by the committee to which the invitations were previously referred.

The session of the convention just closed has been one of very great interest and the large delegation was entertained in a most hospitable way by the good people of Wilmington. Most of the pulpits of the city will be filled by the visiting ministers who remain over from the convention today as may be seen by reference to the announcements below:

Wilmington Pulpits Today.

The following assignment of pastors to Wilmington pulpits at the request of the local churches was made yesterday by the convention:

First Baptist—Rev. J. W. Lynch, morning; Rev. R. E. Neighbor at night.

Brooklyn Baptist Church—Rev. T. W. Chambliss, night; Rev. Judson L. Vipperman, morning.

Southside Baptist Church—Rev. R. D. Cross, morning; Rev. R. H. Herring at night.

First Presbyterian—Rev. F. T. Wootten at night.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian—Rev. G. T. Lumpkins, morning.

Immanuel Presbyterian—Rev. W. H. Reddish, morning; Rev. G. T. Lumpkin, at night.

Grace Methodist—Dr. R. T. Vann, morning; Rev. Livingston Johnson, at night.

Fifth Street Methodist—Rev. I. N. Loftin, morning; Rev. J. F. Vines, at night.

Market Street Methodist—Rev. J. W. Rose, at night.

Church of Disciples—Rev. C. A. Jenkins, morning; Rev. Wm. Hedley, at night.

Bladen Street Methodist—Rev. J. R. Miller, morning; Evangelist J. T. Edwards, night.

Shiloh Baptist, colored—Rev. T. H. Thornton, at 3 P. M.

St. Luke's Methodist, colored—Rev. J. S. Farmer at 3 P. M.

Mr. N. B. Broughton will address the Sunday School at Southside at 3 P. M.

Rev. H. C. Moore, of Raleigh, will address the Brooklyn Baptist Church Sunday School at 3 P. M.

Rev. W. S. Key Returns.

Rev. W. S. Key, who recently went to England for the Carolina Trucking Development Company, of this city, has returned to America and reports that he has interested a number of settlers in lands hereabouts. They are expected to begin arriving this Winter.

New toys and dolls this week at Gaylord's. **

Special: All Carpets and Mattings laid free until Xmas.

J. H. Rehder & Co. THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE

Trunks, Suit Cases and Traveling Bags.

The Firm That Pays Your Car Fare.

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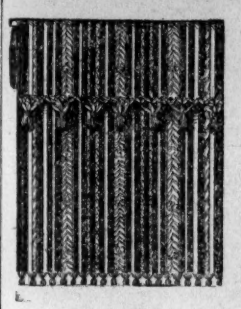

The Useful Kind

Portiers, lace curtains, Couch Covers.
Rope Portiers plain and combination colors, $1.39, $2.50 and $3.75.
Tapestry Portiers plain and neat floral designs, brocaded light or dark red and green at $2.48 to $6.50.
Couch Covers, reversible damask and tapestry at $1.50 to $4.98.
Table cover damask and tapestry 25c to $3.98.
Stamped and Tinted pillow tops 19c to 48c.
Velvet and Silk Pillow Tops and back to match, sateen pillow slips ready made 98c.

Gillette Safety Razor, always ready, shaving made easy, $5.00 to $7.50.
Toys and Fancy Goods, great variety, lowest prices.
Crockery and Fancy China.
Dolls and Go-Carts.

Men's Furnishings

Heavy fleeced under shirt and drawers 39c each.
Men's top shirts, heavy blue, knit shirt, 50, Extra blue flannel 98c to $2.50.
Men's Negligee shirts, full assortment 39c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.
New lot ladies belts just received, all the new novelties popular price 25 and 50c.
New lot ladies collars received this week, the latest fads and fancies 25c to $1.98.

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¶Get into our good clothes game at once; we're on the winning side, and you'll look the part as soon as we get you inside one of our Hart Schaffner & Marx suits, and top it with a fine overcoat of the same superb make; $18 to $50.

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STATEMENT

of THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY December 3rd, 1907.

(Condensed from Report to North Carolina Corporation Commission).

ASSETS.

Loans and Discounts		$1,179,520 30
First Mortgage Bonds		2,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures		1 00
Real Estate		55,000 00
Cash in our vault	$103,218 53	
Cash in other banks	144,102 52	247,321 05
		$1,483,842 35

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 25,000 00
Undivided Profits, less taxes and expenses	142,743 95
Deposits	1,316,098 40
	$1,483,842 35

State of North Carolina,
County of New Hanover.

I, C. E. Taylor, Jr., Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. E. TAYLOR, JR.
Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of December, A. D., 1907.

CHAS. S. GRAINGER,
Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:
J. V. GRAINGER,
J. W. YATES,
N. B. RANKIN,
Directors.

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Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets
A Busy Medicine for Busy People.
Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.
A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. Its Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis.
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THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
"The Store That's Always Busy"
When You Save the
Southern Trading Stamps

It is the stamp you and others have always saved, we are the only Dry Goods store in Wilmington giving Red Southern Trading Stamps. The Premium Store on Market street is receiving daily new premiums. To Christmas shoppers who are saving trading stamps we offer

Two Trading Stamps For One

During week December 9th to 14th

That is for every 10c cash purchase you get two Red Trading Stamps. Take no other stamp they are useless at the Premium store.

Basement Full of Toys

Mothers are requested to bring the children in to visit our toy department. Stock the most select in the city. Sorry we cannot tell you more now, but the surprise will be all the greater when you see the show.

See our stock of Ladies' Coat Suits, Skirts, Furs, Cloaks and Rain Coats.

Down Comforters $5.00 to $15.00 each.

The C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

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Removal Notice

This is to notify my friends and patrons and any others who may be interested, that I have moved my office from 16 Princess St., to the Odd Fellows' Building, Room 15. I have houses, building lots, cemetery lots, farms, timber lands, bank stock, mill stock and mercantile stock from Charleston, W. Va., to Titusville, Fla., For sale, a few good renting propositions. Call and see me at Room 15, Odd Fellows' Building.

G. W. SHEPARD
The Real Estate Man.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements By Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Carolina Place: Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of lesson sermon "God the Preserver of Man." All are invited.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor; services conducted by the pastor in the Luther Memorial Building, Sixth and Princess streets. German service at 11 A. M. English Vesper service at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Wednesday night service with Bible study at 8:15 P. M. A cordial invitation to all.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass, 7 A. M. Last mass, sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers 7:45 P. M.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector: Morning prayer, sermon and Holy Communion at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Evening service and sermon at 8 P. M. All are cordially invited.

St. James' Episcopal Church: Holy Communion at 7:45 A. M., Morning day School at 3:45 P. M. Evening prayer and sermon 11 A. M., Sun-Prayer with special music at 5 P. M. All are invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street. Services at 5 P. M., conducted by the Rev. W. A. Snyder, of St. Paul's. Sunday School ats 10 A. M. Young People' Society meets as usual at 8 o'clock Thursday evening. Sunday School children meet Wednesday afternoon 3:30; Catechetical class at 4 o'clock. Visitors and friends are always welcome at all meetings.

In the absence of the rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, who is preaching a mission at Burgaw, N. C., the Rev. Dr. Carmichael will preach at the morning service at the Church. Evening prayer at 7:30 o'clock with address by Rev. William Cox, rector of St. John's. Seats free; strangers are invited to attend.

St. John's Church: 11 A. M. Morning Prayer with sermon. 5 P. M. Evening Prayer. W. E. Cox, rector.

NO TIDINGS OF MR. VOLLERS.

Missing Wilmington Merchant Has Not Yet Been Found—Reward.

Although relatives and friends continued the search in all parts of the city yesterday, there were no tidings of Mr. W. A. Vollers, the former Wilmington merchant, who mysteriously disappeared from his home in this city Wednesday afternoon and has not been seen or heard of since. There were many reports yesterday but none of them had any foundation in fact. Relatives of the missing man are inclined to believe that perhaps he has gone up the Wilmington and Weldon railroad and parties in that section are requested to look out for him and notify relatives in this city. A standing reward of $25 is offered for any information leading to his present whereabouts.

Revival at Southside.

A series of revival services will begin today at Southside Baptist Church. Rev. R. H. Herring, of Siler City, the former pastor of the congregation will conduct the meetings which will last for ten days or more. Rev. R. D. Cross, of Elizabeth City, will preach at Southside this morning and Mr. Herring at night.

Mrs. Margaret Newby Dead.

A message to Mrs. James F. Woolvin yesterday brought the sad intelligence that her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Newby, widow of the late Dr. George C. Newby, and sister of the late Samuel Carman, is dead at her home in Sanford, N. C. Mrs. Newby was eighty years of age and had been an invalid for two years.

Basket Ball Last Night.

A very interesting exhibition game of basket ball was played last night at the Y. M. C. A. in which the team captained by Woollcott was defeated by Thees' team in the close score of 12 to 11. The teams lined up as follows: Woollcott, Newkirk, Stephens, Houston and VonGlahn; Thees, Davis, Cromartie, Symmes and Bartlett

Speak at Boys' Brigade Armory.

Rev. C. G. Martin will be the special speaker at the men's meeting at the Boys' Brigade armory this afternoon at 5 o'clock. All men are invited. There will be a special musical programme.

BANQUET TO BRYAN

His Home State Gives Him a Rousing Reception—Prominent Men Present

(By Wire to the Morn'ng Star.)

Omaha, Nebraska, December 7.—William Jennings Bryan was the chief guest at a "dollar dinner" given at the auditorium at Omaha, Neb., last night by the Dahlmann Democratic Club at which about 1,200 persons were present. Following the banquet the galleries were thrown open to the public and about 3,000 people availed themselves of the opprtunity to hear the speeches of the evening. The reception accorded the distinguished Nebraskan was one of the greatest he has every received in Omaha.

The gathering was representative of Omaha's Democracy and when Mr. Bryan appeared he was greeted with applause which lasted several minutes. He spoke of the spirit of hope that pervaded the party and said that the Democratic party would enter the next campaign with an army of volunteers and the volunteers are fighting with their hearts in the work and that they would be more than a match for any troops which might be marshalled for the defense of the monopolies and special privileges."

Reference had been made during the evening to Mr. Bryan's candidacy for the Democratic nomination and to this suggestion the speaker gave little encouragement, except to state that his position remained the same as indicated in the pronunciamento given out by him some time ago. He reiterated that his position was unchanged and that his acceptance of the nomination would be forthcoming if he was satisfield with the rank and file of the party wished him to again lead their forces.

LID IS ON IN NEW YORK.

Both a "Blue" and a "Dry" Sunday is Promised for Today.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—A "blue Sunday" is promised New York tomorrow.

A literal enforcement of an old but not seriously regarded statute under a new interpretation, will deprive New York's millions of any form of public entertainment and put them upon their own resources for amusement. Orders for a strict enforcement of Justice O'Gorman's recent decision in regard to the closing of all amusement on the Sabbath, were issued today by Police Commissioner Bingham.

Commissioner Bingham's order to eighteen inspectors call for a rigid enforcement of the law and clamps the cover of strict suppression on all forms of amusement from vaudeville to the Sunday evening entertainments of the Y. M. C. A. The Commissioner informed the spectators that the Sunday closing law covers everything from the symphony concerts at Carnegie hall to the five cent vaudeville shows, and that any attempt to evade the statute must be met with arrest.

The only places in Greater New York where bright lights will shine and wheezy pianos beat out a defiance to the police, will be in Brooklyn. The managers of five moving picture shows and a skating rink have secured temporary injunctions restraining the police from interfering with them tomorrow and Commissioner Bingham told the Brooklyn inspector that the injunctions must be obeyed.

He said that the law was to be enforced on the outskirts of the city, where it has been the custom to play football and other outdoor games. The six-day bicycle race, which was scheduled to start at midnight tomorrow, will not commence until 10 o'clock and the doors of Madison Square Garden will not open until after midnight.

TROOPS ARRIVE

No More Acts of Violence Have Occurred at the Goldfield Mines.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 7.—The first section of the train bearing United States troops from San Francisco to Goldfield arrived at 12:30 this afternoon.

Colonel Alfred Reynolds Twenty-second infantry, who is in command of the troops, accompanied the first section and was met at the station by a committee of citizens. The entire party stepped into automobiles and started in search of a suitable camp for the troops.

Goldfield breathed a s igh of relief when the day broke without any act of violence having been committed during the night. It was feared on all hands that anticipation of the coming of the troops last night would be taken advantage of by the lawless to make a demonstration. The citizens guard had been posted throughout the town and along the water and light lines for several miles beyond the town limits. The strain was tense, and few slept awaiting the break of day and the arrival of the troops.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

Secretary Taft Sailed From Cuxhaven at Noon Yesterday.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Cuxhaven, Dec. 7.—The steamer President Grant, with Secretary Taft and the members of his party on board, left here at noon today for New York via Boulogne and Plymouth.

The Secretary came down from Berlin last night, after dining with Ambassador Tower. Mrs. Taft left Berlin last night for Paris and will board the steamer at Boulogne.

Secretary Taft has been obliged to use all his dexterity in dealing with German and English newspaper correspondents in order to evade direct replies to embarrassing questions. Since he crossed the German frontier he probably has been asked twenty times: "What do you think of your chances for the Presidential nomination?"

The Secretary usually replied that it would be indiscreet to talk on this subject, or that he would prefer to leave the expression of opinions to others.

PANAMA BONDS ALLOTED

Go Mostly to National Banks at an Average Price of 103.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—Secretary Cortelyou today announced the allotments of Panama bonds sold to various National banks of the United States.

The list of purchasers made public did not include individual buyers of the bonds, but merely the National banks which acquired the bonds for the purpose presumably of increasing their circulation.

The average price for the bonds was a small fraction over 103. The highest price paid for any considerable amount was 106,875 for $60,000 of bonds by the Farmers and Merchants National bank of Onley, Virginia. The lowest price realized by the government for the bonds alloted was 102.-125 and a considerable amount of the issue was alloted at that price.

The allotments were made in sums of $10,000 and upward, hundreds of banks taking the bonds at their bids in sums up to several million dollars.

Among the banks to which were allotted bonds was the Merchants and Farmers National Bank of Charlotte, N. C., $100,000 at 103.27.

The big Cunard liner Carmania, which became wedged fast on a soft mud bank that streaks its way across the new Ambrose channel at New York, while leaving port yesterday for Europe, was floated into deep water at high tide last night and returned to Quarantine apparently none the worse for her experience. She continued her voyage late last night. The Carmania was the first transatlantic liner to go aground in the new fairway.

Rear Admiral Evans with Captain Ingersoll, his chief of staff and Commander Chandler, his naval aide, yesterday had their final conferences with the President, Secretary Metcalf and the chiefs of bureaus of the Navy Department at Washington, respecting the approaching Pacific cruise of the battleship fleet.

CALEB POWERS' TRIAL

Witness Give Most Damaging Testimony in Celebrated Murder Case.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Georgetown, Ky., Dec. 7.—Wharton Golden, an important witness for the the prosecution went on the stand at today's session of the Caleb Powers trial.

He swore that at a conference in the Frankfort Cemetery with Powers, the latter said: "The best way to kill Goebel is to start a riot in the legislative hall and kill him there. Witness told Powers he did not think it was best but Goebel should be shot while on his way to the Capitol.

Golden told of the alleged conspiracy, implicating not only Powers, but Governor Taylor, Finley, Howard, Youtsey, John L. Powers and others. Witness related numerous conversations he had with Powers about the killing of Goebel and testified to his being in the Adjutant general's office the day Goebel was shot. There witness saw "Tallow Dick" Combs "Mason" Hocker Smith and Gardner Wallace, the first two negroes. Combs was making threats against Goebel, declaring "I could kill Goebel now, d—n him."

Later witness saw John L. Powers give Henry E. Youtsey a key to the Secretary of State's office. Shortly afterwards John Powers told witness that Goebel was to be killed that day. Golden said he protested against killing Goebel on that day and Powers said "You need not be uneasy I gave him the wrong key." Golden said he afterwards say John L. Powers exchange keys with Youtsey. While he was with Powers on a train going to Louisville they heard that Goebel was shot. Powers exclaimed "its a da—n shame on the people."

The tiral brought out a sensational incident after the jury had filed out this afternoon, one that involves the motive underlying the publication of an article in a Lexington afternoon paper.

An article in the paper will be the subject of judicial inquiry Monday morning, based on a rule against H. H. Owens for contempt of court granted this afternoon by special Judge Morris.

Owens, who is alleged to be a private detective in the employ of Caleb Powers, will be given a hearing when court opens Monday.

After the jury had left the court room, Commonwealth Attorney Franklin called the court's attention to what had transpired in the alleged plot to intimidate Wharton Golden, a witness for the prosecution, with the alleged idea of causing him to leave the jurisdiction of the court without giving his testimony. R. Lee Davis, staff correspondent of the Lexington Leader was directed to state to the court how he obtained the article in question and how it came to be published. Mr. Davis' explanation called the issuance of the contempt rule against H. H. Owens.

In bringing the matter before the court Attorney Franklin said: "On Friday night my attention was called to an article published in the Lexington Leader, stating that the newly elected Attorney General of the State would, when in office take the prosecution of these cases into his own hands ,dismissing counsel who are at present conducting them, and that he would cause some of those indicted for this offense and now living in another state, to be brought back and stand trial. "I denounced it at the time and immediately divined the purpose for which the article had been written and published. This morning I was given this paper by Wharton Golden, who has just testified in this case. It is a copy of the Lexington Leader containing the article and which was put in Golden's box at the Wellington Hotel."

R. Lee Davis, the representative of the Lexington Leader, who sent the article to his paper explained his part of the transaction, saying: "Friday morning, I was approached by a young man named Owens and he gave me the copy of the article which he asked me to have published in my paper. He told me that he had given the others a copy and supposed that all other newspaper men had received a copy of it. I sent it to Lexington with a note to the editor to investigate it."

—Raleigh News and Observer: Among other things being charged with trying forcibly to have an officer take a seat on a red-hot stove, Julia Smith, colored, was tried before Officer Separk on the charge of assault upon Constable D. R. Byrum and Mr. J. W. Goodwin, a furniture dealer. The evidence was that the two went to the woman's house to get some furniture on claim and delivery papers. The woman tried to shove the constable on a red hot stove, and at the same time her little boy struck the constable and Mr. Goodwin with a piece of wood. The woman claimed that she had hysterics and meant the officer no harm, but the officer thought a $10 fine would help her, and so decided, releasing the boy as being too young to prosecute.

The annual convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, which began Friday, was continued yesterday at New York. In the absence of ex-President Grover Cleveland, Secretary Cox of the association was in the chair. Insurance Commissioner William Beeble of Wisconsin read a paper on insurance legislation in Wisconsin, giving the details of the many changes in the laws of that state.

Mrs. Louisa M. Taft, mother of Secretary of War, William H. Taft, died at 12.20 A. M. at Milbury, Mass.

WARM WIRELETS.

Five Italians were arrested yesterday at New Orleans, charged with the attempted dynamiting of a store on Claiborne avenue. Several stilettos and quantities of ammunition were found in their possession. The arrests are the result of several weeks work by a vigilant committee of prominent Italians

Mrs. Frances E. Crossell, aged 61, was burned to death at Macon, Ga., while alone with her grand child. Neighbors heard the child cry and on entering found Mrs. Crossell on the floor burned to a crisp. The child was only burned slightly. It is believed it fell in the fire and the grand mother lost her life in rescuing it.

T. M. Hamlet was fatally burned at Birmingham, Ala., yesterday afternoon while attempting to save the life of a Bulgarian workman. The Bulgarian's clothing caught fire and Hamlett ran to his assistance. His own clothing caught, but he continued in his efforts to save the Bulgarian. The latter was only slightly burned, but Hamlett was so seriously injured that he cannot recover.

The expert analysis of the bullets submitted as evidence in the Brownsville investigation has been completed and the findings sent to the Senate Committee in Military Affairs. It is understood that the analysis shows that the bullets were not of the variety in use by the army at the time of the Brownsville riot. General Crozier, chief of ordnance, concurs in the belief that the bullets submitted were not fired from army rifles. The analysis of the bullets with correspondence from General Crozier will be submitted to the committee at its meeting on Tuesday next.

THE ATLANTIC STORM

White Star Liner Celtic Reaches New York Weatherbeaten.

New York, Dec. 7.—After a rough passage of the storm-swept Atlantic, the White Star Liner Celtic came into port today with two of her life boats stove in, the lashings of her after-mast funnel wrenched from their fastenings and her superstructure showing visible evidences of constant battling with mountainous seas which piled over her bows and tore along her decks.

The Celtic was delayed several hours by a constant succession of gales and only one day during the stormy voyage did the passengers catch a glimpse of the sun. The two damaged life boats were on the boat deck fifty feet above the water line. A towering wave came over the liner's side during a storm last Thursday, and, lifting the two boats from their supports, dropped them with force sufficient to drive holes in their shells. The funnel lashings were torn loose the same evening.

"Cleverality."

There is a story that Charlotte Bronte when a girl of sixteen broke out angrily at some one who said she was always talking about clever people, such as Johnson and Sheridan. "Now, you don't know the meaning of clever," she said. "Sheridan might be clever—scamps often are—but Johnson hadn't a spark of 'cleverality' in him." That remark really gives the essence of Johnson and the key to the great qualities of his work, for in his case even more than in most the prose was the man. Whoever wants "cleverality" had best leave Johnson alone. The signal merit of Johnson's writings is that he always means what he says and always says what he means. He may often have talked for victory, but except perhaps in the political pamphlets he always wrote for truth.—London Times.

Fool's Gold.

Pyrite, or sulphide of iron, occurs quite freely in the iron measures and granite gash veins in upper Michigan. It has a brassy color and is known as "fool's gold" by reason of its similarity to the yellow metal in the opinion of the inexperienced. The miners call it "mundic." Few people appreciate the great value of this mineral. Its principal use is in making sulphuric acid, and in that form it is consumed in very large quantities, much of it entering into the refining of kerosene oil as well as being used extensively in the manufacture of artificial fertilizers. —Mining World.

Great Scheme.

Mrs. Simpson in her "Many Memories of Many People" says of Archbishop Whately: He was utterly regardless of appearance. If he came to us without a servant and perceived a hole in his black stocking he would put a piece of sticking plaster on the corresponding part of his leg to conceal the defect.

Foolish Question.

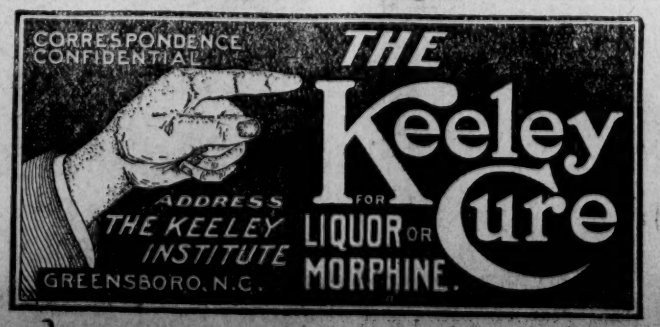
"Hello!" cried the neighbor. "What are you building a new chicken house for?"

"Why," replied Nettles, "for a flock of pink elephants, of course. You didn't suppose I'd put chickens in it, did you?"

Applause.

A friend having declared in Mrs. Siddons' hearing that applause was necessary to actors, that it gave them confidence, "More," interposed she; "it gives us breath."

Genius is a combination of aspiration and inspiration.—London Truth.



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LOST—Wednesday night on Market street between Fourth and Front, or Front street, between Market and Grace, a grey squirrel neck piece. Reward if returned to R. L. Williams. dec 8 1t.

BOOKKEEPER desiring to increase his income wants extra work; auditing accounts, opening and closing books, taking off trial balances or anything in the way of accounting. Terms reasonable. G. C. D., 412 Princess street. dec 8 2t

THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY of the First Presbyterian Church will hold a Christmas Sale on Wednesday, the 11th, at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Worth, 412 South Third street. Everyone is cordially invited to come. Miss F. L. Bonitz. su we

FOR SALE—The business known as Candycapps. Don't need the cash; will exchange for real estate. The finest place in the city. de 8-1t

FOR SALE VERY CHEAP—A lot of nice drug store fixtures, consisting of handsome oak wall cases and silent salesmen, including beautiful prescription case. Will sell for cash, on time or will exchange for real estate. J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., Front and Grace streets, Wilmington, N. C. de 8-3t

FOUND—Saturday afternoon in front of George R. French & Sons shoe store a fur neck piece. Owner may have same by paying for advertisement and proving property. de 8-1t

THE PUBLIC is most cordially invited to the sale of fancy articles for Christmas to be given by St. Mary's Guild at St. James' Parish House, Monday, December ninth at 3 o'clock. de 8 1-t*

FOR SALE—500,000 brick; 300 barrels lime; Portland cement and Ruberoid roofing paper. R. Moore's Sons & Co. de 8-3t

MRS. KNAPP cordially invites you and your friends to attend her Christmas exhibition and sale of painted China and water colors Thursday and Friday, December 12th and 13th, Odd Fellows' Building, Third and Princess streets. Inexpensive novelties a specialty. de 8-1t*

MEN—Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach barber trade in few weeks, mailed free, Moler Barber College, Atlanta, Ga. de 8-3t*

WANTED—Side line traveling salesmen can make $30 to $50 per week handling our latest productions of advertising fans. Liberal terms, samples free. Apply at once. United States Calendar Company. Cincinnati, Ohio. de 8-1t*

FOR SALE AT HALF PRICE—Magnificent Liquid Carbonic Onyx soda fountain in use little over two years, in prime condition. Will sell for cash or on time, with easy payments with proper security or for real estate. J. Hicks Bunting Drug Company., Front and Grace streets, Wilmington, N. C. de 8-3t

WANTED FOR 1908—Experienced salesmen. Attractive line for retail trade. Worth $300 monthly and better to producers. Position permanent to energetic and reliable men. Box 574, Dept. 42, Chicago, Ill. de 8-1t*

WANTED—Office boy, salary $15 per month, address in own handwriting x care Star office. dec 8 3t.

WANTED—Mailing clerk, salary $25 per month. Address in own handwriting X, care Star. dec 8 3t

FOR SALE—Gasoline runabout very cheap or will exchange for something useful and cash to equal value. B. care Star office. dec 8 1t*

LOST—A male pointer dog; lemon spotted; short and slender. Liberal reward if returned to Dr. J. C. Wessell, 507 Chesnut street. dec 8 1t*

FOR SALE—At special bargains, drugs, chemicals, patent medicines, toilet articles and everything pertaining to a first-class drug store. Everything in our present quarters must be sold without delay as we will be newly equipped throughout in our new building. J. Hicks Bunting Drug Company, Front and Grace streets, Wilmington, N. C. de 8-3t

WANTED—Traveling salesman. Salary $75.00 per month and expenses. Satisfactory references required. Address in own handwriting. X care Star dec 8 3t

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms with privilege of bath, hot and cold water and electric lights. Apply 501 South Front street. dec 8 1t

ST. AGNES GUILD will hold its annual sale of dolls and fancy articles and candy on Thursday, December 12th at 10:30 A. M. in store 129 Market street. An unusually attractive display. dec 8 4t

LECTURE on Christian Science at Academy of Music Tuesday evening, December 10th, at 8:30 o'clock by Hon. Clarence A. Buskirk, C. S. D., Member of the Board of Lectureship of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Admission free. The public is invited. de 7-3t

FOR SALE IMMEDIATELY—Confectionery buisness known as Candycapps on Princess street. Books open for inspection to prospective purchasers; good business, good stand. Reasons for selling, have other business which will require all of my time. D. L. T. Capps. dec 6tf

CIGAR SALESMAN WANTED—Experience unnecessary. $100 per month and expenses. Peerless Cigar Co., Toledo, Ohio. de 5-3t*

THIRTY-SECOND SERIES—The Clarendon Savings & Loan Association will open its 32nd series of stock on Saturday the 4th day of January 1908. This association has for past years opened and matured two series each year. Stock to this new series can now be obtained by applying to either of officers named below. Subscribe now and avoid the rush on the last day. D. C. Love, President; Walker Taylor, Vice President; H. McClammy, attorney; S. P. Collier, secretary.

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WANTED—For U. S. Army: able-bodied unmarried men between ages of 21 and 35; citizens of United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. Men wanted now for service in Cuba. For information apply to Recruiting Officer, 101 Princess st., Wilmington, N. C. au 15 to de 31

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Newbern, Dec. 7.—Beginning next Monday, December 9th, and continuing thereafter, The Sun will be issued in the afternoon instead of the morning. Mr. John H. Hammer succeeds Mr. Furlow, on the editorial staff. The latter will become editor of the Rocky Mount Record.

—Raleigh, Dec. 7.—The matter of discrimination against North Carolina in freight rate charges by the Norfolk & Western Railroad will come up before the Corporation Commission Wednesday, at which time the complaint to the Interstate Commerce Commission will be formulated.

—Greensboro Daily Record: New Garden Hall, the new dormitory for girls at Guilford College, has been completed at a cost of $20,000. The handsome building has already been occupied and all the rooms are taken. The attendance at the college this year is larger than ever before.

—Roxboro, Dec. 7.—One of the most remarkable things that have occurred here is the heavy leaf tobacco receipts and, in view of the money stringency, the ease with which the banks financed the sales. During the month of November there was sold in Roxboro 814,293 pounds of tobacco for a total of $95,874.19.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 7.—The application for a franchise granting right of way into the city for the proposed interurban railway from High Point to Winston-Salem passed final reading of the Winston aldermen last night. The representative of the company was present and stated that the road would certainly be built.

—Winston-Salem, Dec. 7.—In the Recorder's Court yesterday afternoon Charles Holleman and P. J. Henning, owners of a saloon, were fined $100 each on the charge that their clerk sold liquor to two small girls. Defendants gave notice of appeal to the Superior Court. There are intimations afloat that the aldermen may revoke one or more licenses of saloon keepers for selling to minors.

Salisbury, Dec. 6.—George Rose, of Richmond, Va., was arrested here yesterday charged with larceny and in default of a bond was lodged in Rowan jail. Rose came to this city Tuesday night to accept a position and stopped at the Barrier House. During the night he occupied a room with Mr. Barrier who missed his purse and $11.35, suspicion at once rested upon Rose who was taken by Chief of Police Julian. He makes a good appearance and denies his guilt.

—Goldsboro Argus: Wayne county had two peculiar accidents last week. One, a young man whose name we did not learn, having rode a bicycle from Fayetteville, dropping dead in a few minutes after reaching his destination. The other, a young man by the name of Hooks, living near Fremont, got on his horse and the animal threw him and then stamped him to death. The horse had been perfectly gentle and no one suspected that he was so vicious.

—Raleigh Evening Times: The Secretary of State is now preparing a list of the corporations that failed to make their annual statement by December 1st, as required by law. Under the provisions of Chapter 944, of the public laws of 1907, the Secretary of State is required to report these delinquent corporations to the Sheriffs of the various counties, and it is the duty of the Sheriff to collect a forfeit of $25 and costs from each company that has failed to make such statement.

—Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 7.—Acting German Consul Sprunt, of Wilmington, has complained to Mayor Boyden that Alfred Dansign, George Mope and Willy Schwartz, German subjects, represent themselves as being confined in the workhouse here, without sufficient cause and ask for the protection of their government. The men were arrested at Spencer three miles from Salisbury on November 27, charged with vagrancy and sent to the chain gaing for thirty days each. An investigation is being made.

—Raleigh News and Observer: A child of George Hagan, colored, died in the southern part of Chambersburg township Sunday. The child had a very strange disease. For months its head had been irregularly enlarging, a kind of gristle grew at the back end of its tongue, which hindered it in swallowing, and a fleshy substance grew behind its eyes, until it pushed both eye-balls entirely out of the head. Several doctors who saw it said they had never seen anything like it and could do nothing for it.

—Charlotte News: Mr. W. R. Gentry will institute suit jointly against the Charlotte Consolidated Construction Company and the Southern Railway for damages alleged to have been received at the East Trade street crossing several months ago. He will ask for $25,000. The acident occurred last September, Mr. Gentry, who was in the employ of the Southern, was standing on the top of a box car and as the train pased East Trade street he claims that the 4C's Company's trolly wire struck him, throwing him down on the car, though he did not fall to the ground. Since the accident Mr. Gentry has lost the use of one eye.

—Mt. Airy, N. C., Dec. 7.—Quite a good-sized town has been built up at the Mount Airy Granite quarries during the past year or two. Many handsome dwellings have been erected and others are now going up. One splendid boarding house, just completed adds much to the appearances out at the quarries. The writer spent some time there yesterday and learned that the work had not shut down and that there was no talk of shutting down. One firm in a distant city wants from 6 to 8 carloads of granite daily and that indicates lots of work for somebody.

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STATEMENT

Report of the Condition of THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, at Wilmington in the State of North Carolina, at the Close of Business, December 3rd, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$ 669,720.86
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,254 21
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		50,000 00
Bonds, securties, etc		149,100 00
Banking House Furniture and fixtures		20,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)		117,316 74
Due from State Banks and bankers		70,916 15
Due from approved reserve agents		48,125 63
Checks and other cash items		907 46
Notes of other National Banks		15,485 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents		2,518 58
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$84,740 75	
Legal tender notes	61,860 00	146,600 75
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		7,064 47
Total		$1,424,009 85

LIABILITIES.

Captital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund		125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		92,062 33
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other national Banks		66,119 03
Due to State Banks and Bankers		107,089 94
Dividends unpaid		873 00
Individual deposits subject to check		721,600 30
Certified checks		40 00
Cashier's checks outstanding		11,225 25
United States deposits		50,000 00
Total		$1,424,009 85

State of North Carolina,
County of New Hanover.

I J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of December, 1907.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

Correct Attest:

D. McEACHERN,
WM. E. WORTH,
C. W. YATES,
Directors.

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STATEMENT

Report of the condition of the ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO., Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business Dec. 3, 1907.

Resources.

Loans and Discounts		$529,835 86
Demand Loans		23,690 00
Bonds		9,000 00
Furniture and fixtures		100 00
Due from Banks		98,011 28
Cash Items		284 30
Gold Coin		230 00
Silver Coin		832 96
Nat'l Bank and U. S. Notes		9,728 00
Total		$671,712 40

Liabilities.

Capital Stock		$ 50,000 00
Undivided Profits		29,759 88
Deposits	$561,600 57	
Demand Certificates	27,809 62	589,410 19
Cashier's Checks		2,242 33
Certified Checks		300 00
Total		$671,712 40

I, Milton Calder, Cashier of the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

MILTON CALDER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of Dec. 1907.

W. B. DRAKE, JR., Notary Public.

Commission expires Aug. 21, 1908.

Correct Attest:

B. O. STONE,
C. J. MITCHELL,
B. H. J. AHRENS,
Directors.

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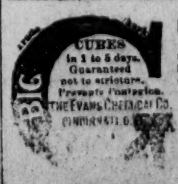

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Statement of condition December 3rd, 1907. Condensed from Report to United States Government.

Resources:

Loans and Discounts		$871,732 20
Overdrafts		1,464 51
U. S. Bonds and Premiums		259,296 88
Furniture and Fixtures		6,530 49
Cash:		
Due from Banks	$453,418 16	
In our Vault	95,667 74	549,085 90
		$1,688,109 98

Liabilities:

Capital		$200,000 00
Surplus		100,000 00
*Undivided Profits, Net		25,644 46
Circulation		200,000 00
Bills Payable and Re-discounts		105,000 00
Deposits:		
Banks	$690,446 16	
Individuals	317,019 36	
U. S. Government	50,0000 00	1,057,465 52
		$1,688,109 98

*After Dividends of $12,000.00 paid.

C. N. EVANS, Cashier.

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(Continued From Last Sunday.)

"'Come along, friend,' says Scotty to the feller. 'You and me are going to have a little drink on this, if it is the last act.' And I reckon probably they made it two, for when Scotty got back again he was in a condition that made everybody believe that he'd only guessed at the story he told. But they found out afterward it was a solemn fact. Mattie, give us some more coffee."

Thus abruptly recalled to Fairfield, Miss Mattie started up.

"Well, Will, it does seem as if that was a dangerous country to live in," said she.

"Oh, not so awful," said Red. "Just as many people die here as they do there. This world's a dangerous place to live in wherever you strike it, Mattie."

"That's so," said she thoughtfully.

"And now," said Red, pushing back his chair, "it's time I got to work and left you to do the housework undisturbed."

"What are you going to do, Will?"

"First place, there's fences and things to be tinkered up, I see. I suppose a millionaire like me ought to hire those things done, but I'd have measles of the mind if I sat around doing nothing."

"I have been wanting to get the place in good order for some time," said Miss Mattie, "but what with the money I had to spend for this and that, and not being able to get Mr. Joyce to come in for a day's work when I wanted him, it's gone on until there is a good deal of wrack to it."

"We'll wrack it t'other way round in no time. Got any tools here?"

"Out in the barn is what's left of father's tools. People have borrowed 'em and forgot to return 'em, and they've rusted or been lost until I'm afraid there ain't many of 'em left."

"Well, I'll get along today somehow, and later on we'll stock up. Want any help around the house?"

"Thank you, no, Will."

"Then I'm off."

It was almost with a feeling of terror that Miss Mattie beheld him root up the fence. Her idea of repairing was to put in a picket here and there where it was most needed. Red's was to knock it all flat first and set it up in A1 condition afterward. So in two hours' time he straightened up and

"What in nation's all this?" says he.

snapped the sweat from his brow, beholding the slain pickets prone on the grass with thorough satisfaction. Yet he felt tired, for the day was already hot with a moist and soaking seacoast heat, to which the plainsman was unaccustomed. A three-quarter grown boy passed by, lounging on the seat of a farm wagon.

"Hey!" hailed Red. The boy stopped and turned slowly around.

"Yes, sir," he answered courteously enough.

"Want a job?" said Red.

"Well, I dunno," replied the boy. He was much astonished at the appearance of his interrogator, and he was a cautious New England boy to boot.

"You don't know?" retorted Red. "Well," with some sarcasm, "d'ye suppose I could find out at the postoffice?"

The boy looked at Red, with a twinkle in his eye and a comical drawing of his long mouth.

"I calc'late if you cud fin' out anyw'eres 'twould be there," said he.

Red laughed. He had noticed the busy postmistress rushing out of her store to waylay any one likely to have information on any subject, a stream of questions proceeding from her through the door.

"Say, you got anything particular to do?"

"No, sir; leastways th'ain't no hurry about it."

"Can I buy stuff to make a fence with around here?"

"Yes, sir; Mr. Pettigrew's got all kinds of buildin' material at his store—two mile over yonder," pointing with the whip.

"You drive over there for me and get some—just like this here—pickets and posts and whatever you call them long pieces, and I'll make it right with you."

"Yes, sir. How much will I get?"

"Oh, tell him to fill the wagon up with it, and I'll send back what I don't want. Hustle, now, like a good boy; I want to get shut of this job; I liked it better before I begun."

When his Mercury had speeded on the journey at a faster gait than Red would have given him credit for the architect strode down to the blacksmith's shop. There was a larger crowd than usual around the forge, as the advent of the stranger had got into the wind, and the village Vulcan was a person who not only looked the whole world in the face, but no one of the maiden ladies of Fairfield could have excelled his interest in looking the whole world as much in the inside pocket as possible. The blacksmith was emphatically a man of gossip, as well as a hardworking, God fearing man.

"Say, there he comes now, Mr. Tuttle!" cried one of the loungers, and nudged the smith to look.

"Well, let him come!" retorted the smith testily, jamming a shoe in the fire with unnecessary force; as a matter of fact he was embarrassed. The loungers huddled together for moral support as the big cowman loomed through the doorway.

"Good morning, friends!" said he.

"Good morning, sir!" replied the blacksmith, rubbing his hands on his apron. "Nice day, sir."

"For the sake of good fellowship I'll say 'yes' to that," responded Red, "but if you want my honest opinion on the subject it's d—n hot."

"'Tis that," assented the smith, and a silence followed.

"Say, who's your crack fence builder around here," asked Red—"the man that can make two pickets grow where only one grew before and do it so easy that it's a pleasure to sit and look at him?"

"Hey?" inquired the smith, not precisely getting the meaning of the address.

"Why, I've got a fence to build," exclaimed Red, "and now I want some help—want it so bad I'll produce to the extent of three a day and call it a day from now till 6 o'clock. Any takers here? Make your bets while the little ball rolls."

The loungers understood the general drift of this and pricked up their ears, as did the blacksmith. "Guess one of the boys will help you," said the latter.

"Well, who's it?" asked Red, glancing at the circle of faces. Three dollars a day was enormous wages in that part of the country. Nobody knew just what to say.

"Oh, well," cried Red, "let's everybody run! I reckon I can find something to do for the five of you. Are you with me?"

"Yes, sir," they said promptly.

"Can I borrow a hammer or so off you, old man?" questioned Red of the smith.

"Certainly, sir," returned the latter heartily. "Take what you want."

"Much obliged. And the gate hinges are out of whack. Miss Saunders' place, you know. Come over and take a squint at 'em in the near by and by, will you? May as well fix it up all at once. Come on, boys!"

It was thus that the greatest enterprise that Fairfield had seen in many a day was undertaken. Miss Mattie was simply astounded as the army bore down upon the house.

"Whatever in the world is Cousin Will doing?" said she, but resting strong in the faith that it was necessarily all right she was content to wait for dinner and an explanation. Not so the postmistress. The agonies of unrequited curiosity the worthy woman suffered that morning until she at last summoned up her resolution and asked the smith plump out and out what it all meant would have to be experienced to be appreciated. And the smith kept her hanging for awhile, too, saying to himself in justification that it wasn't right the way that old gal had to get into everybody's business. The smith was like some of the rest of us—he could see through a beam if it was in his own eye.

CHAPTER VI.

THERE was a great din of whacking and hammering that morning. Red worked like a horse now, that he had company. A sudden thought struck him, and he went into the house.

"Mattie," said he.

"Well, Will?"

"I see a use for the rest of that nice big roast of beef I smell in the oven—let's have all these fellers stay to dinner and give 'em one good feed. What do you say?"

"Why, I'd like to, Will, but I don't know—where'll I set them?"

"Couple of boards outside for a table—let them sit on boxes or something. Got plates and things enough?"

"My, yes! Plenty of such things, Will."

"Then if it ain't too much trouble for you we'll let it go."

"No trouble at all, Will—it will be a regular picnic."

"Boys, you'll eat with me this day," said Red.

They spread the board table beneath an old apple tree and cleaned up for the repast in the kitchen storm shed with an apologetic "Sorry to trouble you, Miss Saunders," or such a matter as each went in.

Just as Miss Mattie was withdrawing the meat from the oven there came a knock at the door.

"Goodness, gracious!" she exclaimed. "Who can that be now? Will, will you see who that is? I can't go."

"Sure!" said Red and went to the door. There stood two women of that indefinite period between forty and sixty, very decently dressed and with some agitation visible in the way they fussily adjusted various parts of their attire.

They started at the sudden spectacle of the huge man who said pleasantly, "How der do, ladies?"

"Why, how do you do?" replied the taller instantly and in a voice she had never heard before. "I hope you're well, sir," a remark which filled her with surprise.

"Thanks, I'm able to assume the perpendicular, as you can see," responded Red, with a handsome smile of welcome. "How do you find yourself?"

"I'm pretty well," said the flustered lady. "How do you do?"

"Durned if we ain't right back where we started from," mourned Red to himself. "If it's one of the customs of this country saying 'how der do' an hour at a stretch, I pass it up." Aloud he said: "Coming along fine. How's your father?" "Cuss me if I don't shift the cut a little anyhow," he added mentally.

"Why, he's very well indeed!" exclaimed the lady, with fervor. "How"—She got no further on the query, for the other woman interrupted in a tone of scandal. "Mary Ann Demilt, how can you talk like that? Your father's been dead this five year last August!"

The horror of the moment was broken by the appearance of Miss Mattie, crying hospitably on seeing the visitors, "Why, Mary and Pauline, how do you do?"

The shorter one, Pauline, looked up and said sharply, "We're well enough, Mattie." She was weary of the form.

"Come right in," said Miss Mattie. "You're just in time for dinner."

There was a great protest at this. They "hadn't a moment to spare;" they were "just going down to the corner and had stopped to say," etc.

"You've got to help me," said Miss Mattie. "Will here has invited the boys who are working for him to stay to dinner, and it won't be any more than Christian for you to help me out."

"Ladies," said Red, "if you don't want to starve a man who's deserving of a better fate take off your fixings and come out to dinner. No," he continued to their protests, which he observed were growing weaker, "it's no trouble at all. There's plenty for everybody. Come one, come all, this house shall fly clean off its base as soon as I! Now, for heaven's sake, ladies, it's all settled—come on!"

Whereat they laughed nervously and took off their hats.

It was a jolly dinner party. The young fellows Red had picked up in the blacksmith's shop were not the ordinary quality of loungers. They were boys of good country parentage, with a common school education, who unfortunately could find nothing to do but the occasional odd job. Of course it would not take long to transform them into common ne'er do wells, but now they were merely thoughtless boys.

The whole affair had an al fresco flavor which stoppered convention. The two women visitors pitched in and had as good a time as anybody.

In the middle of the festivities a young man walked past the front fence—a stranger evidently, for his clothes wore the cut of a city, and a cosmopolitan, up to date city at that. He stopped and looked at the house, hesitated a moment and then walked in, back to where the folk were eating.

"Excuse me," said he as they looked up at him, "but isn't this Mr. Demilt's house?"

A momentary silence followed, as it was not clear whose turn it was to answer. Miss Mattie glanced around and, finding Red's eye on her, replied: "No, sir. Mr. Demilt's house is about a mile farther up the road."

"Dear me!" said the young man ruefully. He was a spick and span, intelligent looking man, with less of the dandy about him than the air of a man who had never worn anything but clothes of the proper trim and become quite used to it. Nevertheless the sweat stood out in drops on his forehead, for Fairfield's front "street" savored of a less moral region than it really was on a broiling summer day.

The young man sighed frankly and wiped his head. "Well, that's too bad," he said. "I'm a stranger here—would you kindly tell me where I could get some dinner?"

"What's the matter with that?" inquired Red, pointing to the roast, which still preserved an air of fallen greatness. He had liked the look of the other instantly.

The stranger looked first at Red and then at the roast. "The only thing I can see the matter with that," he answered, "is that it is a slice too thick."

"Keno!" cried Red. "You get it, Mattie, another plate and weapons to fit. Sit down, sir, and rest your fevered feet. If you don't like walking any better than I do, you've probably strewn fragments of one of the commandments all the way from where the stage dropped you to this apple tree."

"It seems to me that I did make some remarks that I never learned at my mother's knee," returned the other, laughing. "And I'm exceedingly obliged for the invitation, as there doesn't seem to be a hotel here, and I am but a degree south of starvation."

"Red or black?" asked the host, with a quick glance at his guest.

The other caught the allusion. "I haven't followed the deal," he replied, "but I'll chance it on the red."

Somehow he felt instantly at home and at ease; it was a quality that Red Saunders dispersed wherever he went.

"There you are, sir," said Red, forwarding a plate full of juicy meat. "The ladies will supply the decorations."

"Do you like rice as a vegetable, sir?" inquired Miss Mattie.

"No, he doesn't," interrupted Red. "He likes it as an animal. Never saw any one who looked less like a vegetable than our friend." The young man's laugh rang out above the others.

Poor Miss Mattie was confused. "It's too bad of you, Will, to put such a meaning on my words," she said.

"The strange part of it is," spoke the young man, seeing an opportunity for a joke and to deal courteously with

"Foot of the table is Miss Mattie Saunders."

his entertainers at the same time—"the peculiar fact is that my name is Lettis."

"Lettuce?" cried Red. "Mattie, I apologize—he is a vegetable."

At which they all laughed again.

"And now," said Red, "I'm Red Saunders, late of the Chanta Seechee ranch, territory of Dakota—state of North Dakota, I mean. Can't get used to the state business. There's a Bill and a Dick on this side of me and two Johns and a Sammy on the other. Foot of the table is Miss Mattie Saunders, next to her—just as they run—Miss Pauline Doolittle and Miss Mary Ann Demilt, who may be kin to the gentleman you're seeking."

"Mr. Thomas F. Demilt?" asked the stranger.

"He's my sister," responded Miss Mary Ann. Whereat the youths buried their faces in the plates, as Mr. Thomas F., in spite of many excellent qualities, bore a pathetic resemblance to the title.

"I mean," continued the lady hurriedly, "that I'm his brother."

"By Jiminy, ma'am," exclaimed Red, "but yours is a strange family!"

"What Miss Demilt wishes to say," cut in Miss Doolittle, with some asperity, "is that Mr. Thomas Faulkenstone Demilt is her brother." She did not add, as extreme candor would have urged, "And I have some hope—remote, alas, but there—of becoming sister to Miss Demilt myself."

"Thank you!" said Lettis. "Shall I be able to see him this afternoon?"

"Oh, mercy, yes!" said Miss Mary Ann. "Tom is home all day."

"I can thank the kind fates for that," said Lettis. "I had begun to think he was a myth," and he fell in upon the tender meat with a vigorous appetite of youth and a good digestion.

Nathaniel Lettis was by no means a fool, and he had experience in business, but the mainspring of the young fellow was frankness, and in the course of the dinner he told his errand. Mr. Demilt had written to his firm explaining the advantages of starting a strawboard factory in Fairfield. It was too small a thing for the firm to be interested in, but Lettis had a small capital which he wished to invest in an enterprise of his own handling, and it had struck him that there might be a chance for independence; therefore he had come to find out the lay of the land.

Red Saunders' first glance liking of the stranger deepened as he told of his business. The cowman did not blame people who took obvious ways and dealt in ambiguities

In his part of the west a man would no more think of giving a false impression of his financial standing to alter his position in one's regard than he would wear corsets. Money was of small consequence; its sequelae of less. Men spoke openly of how much they made, how they liked the job, how their claims were paying. Such matters were neutral ground of chance conversation as the weather is in the east. The rapid and unpredictable changes of fortune gave a tendency to make light of one's present condition. A man would say "I'm busted" without any more feeling than he would say "I have a cold." Now, in Fairfield, that is not likely lonesome in that respect, one of the principal objects in life was to conceal the poverty which would persist in sticking its gaunt elbows through the cloth of words spread over it. Red asked straightforward questions — shrewd ones, too—seeing that the other was one of his own kind and would not resent it.

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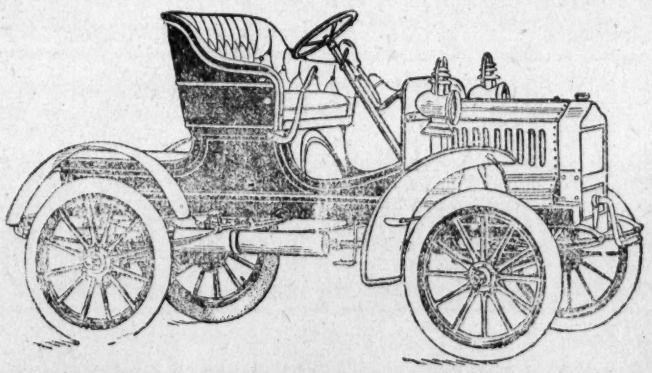

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Lettis wanted nothing better than a chance to expand on the subject. It was close to his heart. He had been a subordinate about as long as a proud and masterful young fellow ought to be. Now he was quivering to try his own strength, and, seeing, for his part, that his host was inspired with a genuine interest and not curiosity, he gave him all the information in his power.

"But a plant like that is going to cost some money, ain't it?" asked Red.

"Too much for me, I'm afraid," replied Lettis. "I have $5,000 to put in, and I suppose I could borrow the rest, but that's saddling the business with too heavy charges right in the beginning. Still, it may not be as bad as I fancy."

Red drummed on the table, thinking. "I wouldn't mind getting into a business of some kind as long as it was making things," he said. "I don't hanker to keep store much. Suppose I go along with you when you look up how much straw is raised and the rest of it?"

"Would you?" cried the young fellow eagerly. "By George, sir, I wish you could see your way clear to take hold of it! Could you stand $10,000, for instance? Excuse the question, but I'm so anxious over this"—

"Lord, what's the harm of asking facts?" said Red. Then, with a gleam of genial pride, "Ten thousand wouldn't break me by a durn sight."

Lettis' boyish face fairly glowed. "It was my good angel made me stop in front of your fence," he said. "I saw you all eating in here, and you looked so jolly that I thought I'd stop on the chance you might be the man I was looking for. Now I'll go right on and see Mr. Demilt and find out what he wants to do in the matter."

"Wait for the wagon and you can ride," said Red. "Boy's gone home to see his dad about working for me this afternoon. In the meantime, if you're not too proud to take hold and help us with this dod ratted fence, I'll be obliged to you."

"Bring on your fence! I'm ready," said Lettis.

"Come on, boys!" said Red, and the party rose from the table. Later the wagon came up.

"Well, good day, Lettis," said Red. "If you can't get quarters anywhere else, come on and help me hold the barn down."

"Do you sleep in the barn? Then I'll come back sure. Tell you how it is, Mr. Saunders. I've been stuck up in a three by nine office for four years—nose held to 'A to M, western branch,' and if I'm not sick of it there's no such thing as sickness. To get out and breathe the fresh air, to see the country, to be my own master—well, sir, it just makes me tremble to think of it! I hope you find the strawboard what you want to take up."

"I shouldn't wonder if it would be," answered Red. "We'll make a corking team to do business, Lettis, I can see that—so cautious and full of tricks and all that."

The young man laughed and then sobered down. "Of course I know the whole thing would look insane to most people," he said sturdily, "but I've been in business long enough to see sharp gentlemen come to grief in spite of their funny work. I don't believe a man'll come to any more harm by believing people mean well by him than he would by working on the other tack."

"Good boy!" said Red, slapping him on the back. "You stick to that and you'll get a satisfaction out of it that money couldn't buy you. Another thing, you'd never get a cent out of me in this world if you were one of these smooth young men. My eye teeth are cut, son, for all I may seem easy. The man that does me a trick has a chance for bad luck, and you can bet on that."

"Lord, I believe you!" replied Lettis, taking in the dimensions of his new friend. "Well, goodby for the present, Mr. Saunders. Thank you for the dinner and still more for the heart you have put into me."

At 6 o'clock the fence was not quite finished.

"If you'll stay with me until the thing's done, I'll stand another dollar all around," said Red. "I don't want it to stare me in the face tomorrow."

The eldest spoke up. "We'll stay with you, Mr. Saunders, but we don't want any money for it, do we, fellers?"

"No," they replied in chorus, well meaning what they said.

"Why, you're perfectly welcome to the cash!" said Red.

"And you're welcome to the work," retorted the boy. "We're paid plenty as it is."

"If that's the way you look at it, I'm much obliged to you," said Red, who would not have discouraged such a feeling for anything. He said to himself, "This don't seem much like the kind of people I've heard inhabited these parts. Those boys are all right. Reckon if you use people decent they'll play up to your lead, no matter what country it is."

At 7:30 the fence was done, gorgeous in a coat of fresh red paint, and the hands departed, each with a slice of Miss Mattie's chocolate cake, a thing to make the heathen gods feel contemptuous of ambrosia.

They went straight to the blacksmith's shop, where they were anxiously expected.

"Good Lord!" he said a little later, "if you fellers will talk one at a time, p'r'aps I can make out what's happened. Now, Sammy, s'p'ose you do the speaking?"

Whereupon Sammy faithfully chronicled the events of the day. The boys had behaved themselves as if there was nothing out of the common happening while they were with Red, being held up by a sense of pride, but naturally the splendid physique of the cowman, his picturesque attire, his abandoned way of scattering money around and the air of a frolic he had managed to impart to a day's hard work—all had effect on imagination, and the boys were very much excited.

"I'd like to know how many Injuns that feller's killed!" piped up the youngest. "Hy! He could grab hold of a man and wring his neck like a chicken."

"Aw, tst!" remonstrated the blacksmith. But the elders stood by the younker this time.

"Yes, he could, Mr. Farrel!" said they. "You ought to seen him when he rolled up his sleeves! He's got an arm on him like the hind leg of a horse, and he uses an ax like a tack hammer. He got mad once when he pounded his thumb and busted the post square in two with one crack."

"Well, he looks like a husky man," admitted the blacksmith. "But why didn't you boys take the extry dollar when he made the offer? He 'pears to know what he was about, and it looks kind of foolish to say 'no' to it."

There was a moment's silence. "We wanted to show him we were just as good as the folks he knew," explained the eldest somewhat shamefacedly.

The blacksmith straightened himself. "Quite right, too," said he. "We air when you come to that." A little pride is a wonderful tonic. Each man of that gathering felt himself the better for the display of it.

In the meantime Red was repairing the ravages of the day opposite Miss Mattie at a supper table which was bountifully spread. Miss Mattie put two and two together and found they meant a larger sum of eatables than she had hitherto felt sufficient, and, with a little pang at the thought of the inadequacy of her first offering to her cousin, provided such fatness as the land of Fairfield boasted.

They discussed the events of the day with satisfaction.

"My!" said Miss Mattie. "You do things wholesale while you are about it, Will, don't you?"

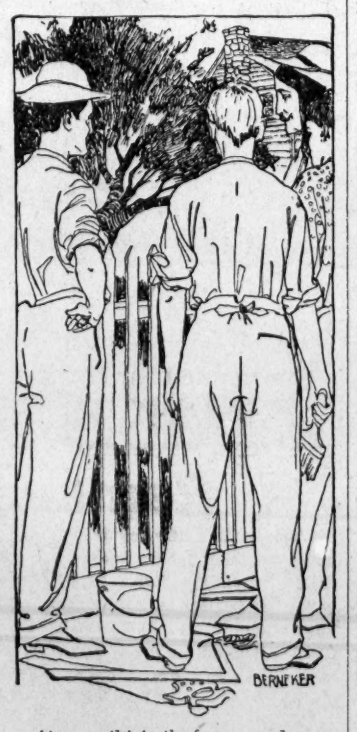
Red smiled in pleased acknowledgment. "I'm no peanut stand, old lady," said he. "I like to see things move."

Then Miss Mattie broached the question she had been hovering around ever since her guests had taken their leave.

"Do you think you'll really go into business with that young man who was here to dinner?" she asked.

"Why, I think it's kinder likely," said Red.

"But you don't know anything about him, Will," she continued, putting the



At seven-thirty the fence was done.

weak side of her desire forward in order to rest more securely if that stood the test.

"No, I don't," agreed Red. "But here's the way I feel about that: I want to be doing something according to my size; besides that, it would be a good thing for this place if some kind of a live doings was to start here. All right, that's my side of it. Now, as far as not knowing that young feller's concerned, I might think I knew him from cyclone cellar to roof tree, and he might do me to a crowded house. My idea is that life's a good deal like faro—you know how that is."

"I remember about his not letting the people go, but I'm afraid I don't know my Bible as well as I ought to, Will," apologized Miss Mattie, rather astonished at his allusion.

"Let the people go? Bible?" cried Red, laying down his knife and fork, still more astonished at her allusion. "Will you kindly tell me what that has to do with faro bank? Girl, one of us is full of ghost songs, and far, far off the reservation. What in the name of Brigham Young's off-ox are you talking about?"

"Why, you spoke of Pharaoh, Will, and I can remember about his holding the children of Israel captive, and the plagues, but I really don't see just how it applies."

"Oh!" said Red, as a great light broke upon him. "Oh, I see what you're thinking about. The old boy who corralled the Jews and made 'em work for the first and last time in their history, and they filled him full of fleas and darkness and all kinds of unpleasant experiences to break even? Well, I was not talking about him at all. My faro is a game played with a layout and a pack of cards and a little tin box that you ought to look at carefully before you put any money on the board, to see that it ain't arranged for dealing seconds; and there's a lookout and a case keeper and—well, I don't believe I could tell you just how it works, but some day I'll make a layout and we'll have some fun. It's a bully game, but I say, it's a great deal like life—the splits go to the dealer; that is to say, that if the king comes out to win and lose at the same time, you lose anyhow, see?"

"No," said Miss Mattie truthfully.

Red thrust his fingers through his hair and sighed. "I'm afraid I know too much about it to explain it clearly," he replied. "But what I mean is this: Some people try to play system at faro, and they last about as quick as those that don't. I always put the limit on the card that's handiest, and the game don't owe me a cent. As a matter of fact, some of the tin horns used to wear a pained expression when they saw me coming across the room. I've split 'em from stem to keelson more than once and never used a copper in my life. Played 'em wide open all the time. Now," and he brought his fist down on the table, "I'm going to play that young man wide open, and I'll bet you I don't lose by him neither. He looks as honest as a mastiff pup for all he dresses kind of nice. I might just as well try him on the fly as to go lunk heading around and get stuck anyhow, with the unsatisfactory addition of feeling that I was a fool as well as confiding."

Most of the argument had been ancient Aryan to Miss Mattie, but the ring of the voice and the little she understood made the tenor plain. A sudden moisture gathered in her eyes as she said: "You're too good and honest and generous a man to distrust anybody. That's what I think, Will."

"Mattie, I wish you wouldn't talk like that," said he in an injured voice. "It ain't hardly respectable."

After which there was a silence for a short time. Then said Miss Mattie, "Do you think you could content yourself here, Will, after all the things you've seen?"

Red brightened at the change of topic. "I'll tell you how that is. If I hadn't any capital and had to work here as a poor man, I don't believe I'd take the trouble to try and live. I'd smother. But, having that pleasant little crop of long greens securely planted in the bank where the wild time doesn't grow and thusly being able to cavort around as it sweetly pleases me, why, I like the country. It's sport to take hold of a place like this that's only held together by its suspenders and try to make a real live man's town out of it."

Miss Mattie drew a deep breath of relief. "You came like the hero in a fairy story, Will, and I was afraid you'd go away like one," she said.

He reached across the table and patted her hand. "You'd have had to gone, too," said he. "The family 'll stick together."

She thanked him in a soft little voice. "Dear me," she murmured, "it does seem that you've been here a year, Will!"

"Never was told that I was such slow company before."

"You know perfectly well that that isn't what I mean."

"Well, you'll have to put up with me for awhile whatever I am, insomuch as I'm to be a manufacturer and the Lord knows what. Then some day I'm going to have an awful hankering for the land where the breeze blows, and then we'll take a shute for open prairie. It's cruelty to animals for me to straddle a horse now, yet there's where I'm at home, and I'm going to buy me a cayuse of some kind. Say, I ought to get at that. If I'm going around with Lettis I want to ride a horse. Know anybody that's got a real live horse for sale, Mattie? No? Well, I'll stop in and see the lady that deals the mail. I'll bet you what that woman doesn't know about what's going on in this camp will never get into history. Be back right away!"

Said he to the postmistress: "My name's Saunders, ma'am—cousin to Miss Mattie. I just stopped in to find out if you knew any one that had a riding horse for sale—horse with four good legs that'll carry me all day, and about the rest I don't care a frolicsome cuss."

The postmistress replied at such length and with such velocity that Red was amazed. He gathered from her remarks that a certain Mr. Upton had an animal, purchased of a chance horse dealer, which it was altogether likely he would dispose of, as the first time he had tried the brute it went up into the air all sorts of ways and caused the owner to perform such tricks before high heaven as made the angels weep.

"Where does this man live?" asked Red, with a kindling eye.

"He lives about three miles out on the Peterville road, but he's in town tonight visitin' Miss Alders. Johnny!" to a small boy who had been following the conversation, his wide open eyes bent on Red and his mouth and wiggling bare toes expressing their delight in vigorous contortions, "Johnny, you run tell Mr. Upton there's a gentleman in here wants to see him about buying a horse."

"Don't disturb him if he's visiting," remonstrated Red.

"He won't call that disturbing him," replied the postmistress, with a shrill laugh. "He'll be here in no time."

She was a true prophet. It seemed as if the boy had barely left the store when he returned with a stoop shoul-

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dered, solemn faced man, who had a brush heap of chin whisker decorating the lower part of his face. After greetings and the explanation of the errand, Mr. Upton stroked his chin whisker regretfully. "Young man," said he, "I'm in a pecooliar and onpleasant position. There's mighty feyew things I wouldn't do in a hawse trade, but I draw the line on murder. That there hawse'll kill you, just's sure as you're fool enough to put yerself on his back. I'll sell you a real hawse mighty reasonable"—

"I'll risk him," cut in Red. "Could you lead him down here in the morning?"

"Yes, indeedy—he's a perfect lady of a horse to lead—you can pick up airy foot—climb all over him, in fac'—s'long's you don't try to ride him or hitch him up. If you do that—well, young man, you'll get a pretty fair idee of what is meant by one of the demons of hell."

"What kind of saddle have you got?"

"One of them outlandish western affairs that the scamp threw in with the animal—you see, I thought I'd take up horseback riding for my health; I was in bed three weeks after my fust try."

"I'll go you $75 for the outfit, just as you got it—chaps, taps and latigo straps, if you'll have it in front of my house at 9 o'clock tomorrow."

"All right, young man; all right, sir. Now don't blame me if you air took home shoes fust."

"Nary," said Red. "Come and see the fun."

"I shorely will," replied the old gentleman.

(Continued Next Sunday.)

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By Rail and Water

—An unusual order has been made by the railroad commission of Montana, instead of requiring increased service, and reduced rates, the commission has directed that the Northern Pacific withdraw six of its local passenger trains from service for 90 days, in order that the movement of freight may be expedited.

—Capt. William A. Covington, coast artillery corps, has been ordered to Atlanta, Ga., for temporary duty, under the direction of the chief signal officer of that department, pertaining to the fire control and submarine mine installations at Fort Caswell, N. C., Fort Moultrie and Fort Fremont, S. C., Fort Screven, Ga., Fort Barrancas, Fla., and Fort Morgan, Ala.

—George K. Buchheit of Florence, S. C., who has just returned from an extended trip in Georgia and Florida where he investigated the conditions very closely in the shops of the Coast Line says that he finds that the same conditions existing in Florence are to be found elsewhere. The shops are cutting hands and reducing wages. Mr. Buchheit was one among the machinists who were laid off at the shops at Florence some months ago.

—Charters have been granted in Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana for the proposed Birmingham & Southwestern Mississippi, but so far the incorporators have done nothing toward actual construction work, although the company was organized some two years ago. The capital stock is fixed at $5,000,000, and a number of capitalists of Jackson, Miss., are interested in the project. The company proposes to build a new line of railroad from Birmingham, Ala., by way of Hattiesburg and Wayneshoro to Baton Rouge, La.

—The Georgetown and Western Railroad company gives notice that it will at the next session of the South Carolina General Assembly apply for an amendment to its charter granting among other rights and privileges the power to build and construct a railroad from some point on the line of the Georgetown & Western between Lanes S. C., and Georgetown, through the counties of Georgetown, Williamsburg, Florence and Marion to some point or points in said counties by a route or routes to be determined hereafter by the said company.

—The inspector for the Sixth Lighthouse district gives the following notice concerning marks on Frying Pan Shoals: Watch buoy, 2, a red third class nun, marked W. was established November 19 near the new position of Frying Pan Shoals light vessel southeast distant one-half mile, approximately; Frying Pan Shoals outer and whistling buoy northwest by west five-eights west, distant 13.7 miles, approximately. Watch buoy, W. 1, a black spar, marking the former position of Frying Pan Shoals light vessel No. 1, will be permanently discontinued about January 6, 1908.

—Says The Birmingham Age-Herald of a recent date: "The long-delayed and anxiously awaited pay car of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company arrived Thursday morning and the employes received the wages which have been due them since the 12th of the month. Officials of the road, despite great efforts, were unable to raise sufficient cas to meet the pay roll in its entirety and about half gold and half cashier's checks were received by the men. It is estimated that nearly $250,000 was paid out by the Louisville & Nashville in the Birmingham district Thursday, of which over $100,000 was in gold."

Florence Times: "Calhoun Brunson, who for the past several months has been doing civil engineering work with a construction force on the South and Western railroad near Rutherfordton N. C., has returned to the city the work of construction of the road having been stopped, temporarily on account of the money stringency. The South and Western road is a line being built from the coal fields of Tennessee to Charleston or some where down this way. The road was being built through the mountains of North Carolina when the financial trouble up North came and the work was ordered stopped by the projectors, among whom is the railroad magnate Thomas F. Ryan. It is stated that the failure of the Knickerbocker Trust Company in New York is indirectly the cause of the temporary suspension of the work."

General Allen Thomas, United States Minister to Venezuela, during the second administration of Bresident Cleveland, died at his home at Waveland, Miss., aged 77. He held the commission of a brigadier general during the civil war in the confederate army.

A curved line is a thing of beauty, so says the artist, but how about the bow-legged man.

It seems to be a "fad" among criminals nowadays to commit suicide.

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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48.	No. 42.
Lv. Wilmington	9.40 am	7.00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:50 pm	9:55 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	3:55 pm	11:40 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	3:42 am
Ar. Norfolk	8:30 pm	
Ar. Wilson	1:58 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	5:38 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	6:25 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	10:05 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:43 am	11:20 am
Ar. Philadelphia	4:25 am	1:41 pm
Ar. New York	7:23 am	4:15 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 49.
Lv. New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar. Philadelphia	11:55 am	12:15 am
Ar. Baltimore	2:15 pm	2:46 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk		8:30 am
Lv. Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar. Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar. Weldon	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar. Rocky Mount	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar. Wilson	11:50 pm	1:59 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6.15 am	3.12 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9.35 am	6.10 pm

BETWEEN ILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:35 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:30 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Col'bia	12:25 pm	11:10 pm	am
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:37 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sav'n'	6:55 pm	2:45 am	9:54 am
Ar. J'k'ville		9:00 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		7:15 pm	11:00 pm

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:20 am
Lv. Jacksonville	9:30 am	7:35 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:41 pm	11:59 am
Lv. Charleston	6:12 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:34 pm	8:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	1:10 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:40 am	Ar. 8:15 pm
Lv. Fayetteville	12:10 pm	Ar. 4:55 pm
Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv. 3:40 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEW BERN.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

	Northbound.	Southbound.
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Ar. Newbern	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:25 am

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Trains Leave Wilmington as Follows

	No. 45	No. 39
Lv. Wilm't'n	4:00 A. M.	4:00 P. M.
Ar Lumb't'n	6:35 A. M.	6:56 P. M.
Ar Maxton	7:25 A. M.	7:55 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet	8:25 A. M.	8:50 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet	8:45 A. M.	9:15 P. M.
Ar Monroe	10:50 A. M.	11:15 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte	11:45 A. M.	12:15 A. M.

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 7, 1907.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady 44 1-4 cents.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, steady $1.60.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip and $3.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm 66 1-2; rosin firm steady $3.70; tar firm $2.35; crude turpentine, $3.35, $4.50; $4.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	11
Rosin	285
Tar	138
Crude Turpentine	59

Receipts same day last year, 55 casks spirits turpentine; 195 barrels rosin; 181 barrels tar; 149 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady at 11 3-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Firm at 10 3-8 cents for middling.

Receipts—3,543 bales, same day last year 1,153 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

PEANUTS—North Carolina Prime $1.10; extra prime, $1.12 1-2; fancy, $1.15 per bushel of 28 pounds; Virginia—No. 1 70c; fancy 72 1-2@75; Spanish, $1.00@1.05.

CORN—Firm, 80@82 1-2 per bushel for white; 78@80 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, 17c per pound; shoulders 12 1-2@13; sides dull, 12 1-2@13c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c. per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@30c. for large springs; growns, firm, 30@35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2 per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dry flint, 14 to 15c; green 7 1-2c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@10c. per pound.

TURKEYS—Firm at 15c on foot; 18@20c. dressed.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 65@75c per bushel.

CHEESE—Firm, 60@70c per head.

COW PEAS — $1.40@$1.50 per bushel; white peas, $2.50 to $2.75 per bushel.

WOOL—Firm at 23@24c per pound.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The cotton market opened firm at a decline of one point to an advance of 8 points which was away better than due on the cables. Reports that the National Ginners Association made the amount of cotton ginned to December 1st only 6,288,000 bales, bullish week end figures and overnight buying orders were the bull factors and right after the call the market increased its gain. But offerings were very heavy on the advance with local bulls taking profits on large blocks and during the middle of the morning the market eased off to about the closing figures of Friday. Trading was very active and the south seemed to be buying through wire and commission houses.

The market closed easy with prices one point lower to 7 points higher.

Receipts at the ports today, 59,959 bales against 82,509 last week and 61,425 last year. For the week, 365,000 bales anganst 272,452 last week and 414,161 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 20,723 bales against 19,098 last year, and at Houston 11,716 bales, against 14,545 last year.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands, 12.15; middling gulf, 12.12.40; sales none.

Futures opened steady and closed easy.

Month.	Open.	Close.
December	11.69	11.70
January	11.17	11.20
February	——	11.20
March	11.34	11.27
April	b11.41	11.40
May	11.46	11.46
June	——	11.41
July	11.40	11.37
August	11.26	11.17

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Firm, 12; net receipts 15,345.

New Orleans—Firm, 11 7-8; net receipts 20,723.

Mobile—Steady, 11 9-16; net receipts 5,049.

Savannah—Steady, 11 3-8; net receipts 8,660.

Charleston—Firm, 11 1-4; net receipts 747.

Wilmington—Steady, 11 3-8; net receipts 3,543.

Norfolk—Steady, 11 7-8; net receipts 5,833.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 7-8.

New York—Steady, 12.15.

Boston—Steady, 1215; net receipts 4.

Philadelphia—Steady, 12.40; net receipts 55.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 59,959; Great Britain 21,232; France 8,033; Continent 7,669; stocks 857,316.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 3,756,465; Great Britain 1,179,066; France 351,937; Continent 1,191,863; Japan 34,999; Mexico 336.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Steady, 11 7-8; net receipts 11,716.

Augusta—Steady, 11 3-4; net receipts 1,999.

Memphis—Steady, 11 3-4; net receipts 4,235.

St. Louis—Steady, 11 3-4; net receipts 456.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 378.

Louisville—Firm, 11 5-8.

Little Rock—Steady, 11 5-16; net receipts 1,629.

Total today—Net receipts 20,413; gross receipts 23,306; shipments 21,592; sales 3,812; stocks 267,578.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to The Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 7.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices 5 points higher. American middling fair, 6.98; good middling, 6.62; middling, 6.40; low middling, 6.08; good ordinary, 5.84; ordinary, 5.04.

The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,700 American. Receipts were 27,000 bales including 15,100 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed easy. American middling, G. O. C.: December, 5.99; December and January, 5.99; January and February, 6.02 1-2; February and March, 6.02 1-2; March and April, 6.03; April and May, 6.03; May and June, 6.03; June and July, 6.02 1-2; July and August, 6.00 1-2; August and September, 5.91; September and October, 5.78; October and November, 5.68.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The extreme regularity which has been characteristic of the stock market movement for several days past, was more pronounced than ever today. The general downward tendency of the first hour gave place to an aggressive upward movement early in the second hour, which was broader and more comprehensive than has yet appeared in the market but prices broke again at the last.

The stocks connected with the copper industry were conspicuous in the depression especially American smelting. The group was unfavorably affected by the passing of the dividend on the preferred stock of the United States reduction and refining company and by the published remarks of the president of that company on the condition of the industry. The market seemed to show the great effect of the large reduction of the short interest effected during the week. The weakness of the copper stocks persisted after the rally in the market and affected the secondary reaction and the later irregularity. The bank statement confirmed the expectation, but the closing stocks market was extremely unsettled by he news of the failure of a brokerage house in Pittsburg. The loan contraction shown by the bank statement was viewed with special satisfaction, as it was effected without disturbance in the money market.

Bonds were strong. Total sales par value $1,938,000. United States 3s have advanced 1-4, the 4s, 1-2 and the 2s 3-4 per cent. on call during the week. Total stock sales today 452,100.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—Money, nominal; sixty days, 12 per cent. and ninety days, 8 to 10 per cent.; six months, 6 to 7. Close: Prime mercantile paper 7 to 8 per cent.; sterling exchange weak with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8570 to 4.8585 for demand and 4.8075 for sixty day bills. Commercial bills 4.80 to 4.80 1-2. Bar silver 56 1-2. Mexican dollars 45.

CLEARING HOUSE BANKS.

Hold Less Than Requirements of the Twenty-Five Per Cent. Rule.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week, shows that the banks hold $46,210,350 less than the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule. This is an improvement of $6,779,075 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week. The statement follows:

Loans—$1,186,395,600, decrease $11,682,900.

Deposits—$1,074,851,400, decrease $8,431,900.

Circulation—$65,658,100, increase $3,528,900.

Legal Tenders—$48,613,800, increase $1,335,000.

Specie—$173,888,700, increase $3,334,100.

Reserve—$222,502,500; increase $4,671,100.

Reserve required—$268,712,850, decrease $2,107,975.

Deficit—$46,210,350, decrease $6,779,075.

Ex-U. S. deposits—$27,412,800, decrease $7,647,700.

New York Bonds.

U. S. refunding reg	103 3-4
U. S. refunding 2s cou	104 1-4
U. S. 3s reg	100 1-2
U. S. 3s cou	100 1-2
U. S. new 4s reg	117 1-2
U. S. new 4s cou	117 1-2
American Tobacco Co. 4s	62
American Tobacco Co. 6s	96
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	84
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	96
L. & N. Unified 4s	95
Seaboard Air Line 4s	66
Southern Railway	96
U. S. Steel 5s	84 1-2

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper	48 3-8
American Car Foundry	33
Amr. Car Foundry pfd	85@88
American Cotton Oil Co	28 1-4
American Cotton Oil Co. pfd	70@75
American Locomotive	38
American Smelting & Ref	73 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	90
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	91 1-2
American Sugar Refining	106 3-4
American Tobacco pfd cert	75
Atchison	73 1-8
Atchison pfd	85@88
Atlantic Coast Line	71 1-8
Baltimore & Ohio	82 3-4
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	75@80
Chesapeake & Ohio	30 1-8
Kansas City Southern	23 3-4
Kansas City Southern pfd	53
L. & N	95
New York Central	98 1-8
Norfolk & Western	65 1-4
Norfolk & Western pfd	70@84
Pennsylvania	113 3-4
People's Gas	78 1-2
Reading	93 1-4
Reading 1st pfd	75@80
Reading 2nd pfd	74@78
Rock Island Co	15 7-8
Rock Island Co pfd	31 1-4
Southern Pacific	74 1-8
Southern Pacific	107 1-2
Southern Railway	14 1-2
Southern Railway pfd	40
Tenn., Coal & Iron	95
U. S. Steel	27 1-8
U. S. Steel pfd	87 7-8
Va-Car. Chemical	17 1-4
Va-Car. Chemical pfd	84@89
Seaboard Air Line	——
Seaboard Air Line pfd	——
Standard Oil	475
Western Union	60

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NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—FLOUR—Dull and about steady. Minnesota patents 5.20 to 5.60; winter patents 4.80 to 5.20.

RYE FLOUR—Quiet; fair to good, 4.85 to 5.15.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR — Steady 3.00 to 3.10.

CORN MEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, 1.30 to 1.35.

WHEAT—Spot firm; No. 2 red 1.01 7-8 elevator options 1-4c net higher. December 1.02 3-4; May 1.09 1-4; July 1.04 1-4.

CORN—Spot steady; No. 2, 68 elevator. Options 1-8 to 1-4c net higher. December 68 1-4; May 65 1-8.

Oats—Spot firm; mixed 54 1-2.

LARD—Easy; western prime 8.50. Refined easy; continent 8.95; S. A. 9.75; compound 7 5-8.

PORK—Steady; family 18.50; short clear 17.00; mess 15.75.

TALLOW—Steady; city (2.00 per package) 5 1-2; country packages free 5 1-2.

RICE—Steady; domestic fair to extra 6 1-2; Japan nominal.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle good to choice 42.

SUGAR—Raw quiet; fair refining 3.15; centrifugal 96 test 3.62 1-2; molasses sugar 2.85. Refined quiet; No. 6, 4.40; No. 7, 4.35; No. 8, 4.30; No. 9, 4.25; No. 10, 4.15; No. 11, 4.10; No. 12, 4.05; No. 13, 4.00; No. 14, 3.95. Confectioners A, 4.60; mould A, 5.15; cut loaf, 5.60; crushed, 5.50; powdered, 4.40; granulated, 4.80; cubes, 5.05.

COFFEE—Spot steady; Rio No. 7, 6; Santos No. 4, 7 3-4. Mild coffee steady, Cordova 9 3-4 to 13 1-4. Futures net unchanged to 5 points lower.

BUTTER—Firm, unchanged.

CHEESE—Steady, unchanged.

EGGS—Firm, unchanged.

FREIGHTS—Quiet, unchanged.

PEANUTS—Quiet, unchanged.

POTATOES—Easy; Jersey sweets per barrel 2.50 to 3.00; Southern 2.00 to 2.75.

CABBAGES—Easy, unchanged.

COTTON SEED OIL was dull and about steady. Prime crude, 27 to 28; prime summer yellow, 38 1-2; off summer yellow, 36 to 38; good off summer yellow, 37 to 38 1-2; prime white, 42; prime winter yellow, 44.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Slack demand for wheat by exporters had a depressing effect in the wheat market today. At the close the May delivery was down 1-8c. Corn is off 3-4 to 7-8. Oats were 1-8c down, and provisions 10 to 17 1-2c.

Leading features closed as follows:

Wheat—Dec. 94 1-4 to 94 3-8; May, 1.01 5-8 to 1.01 3-4; July 96 3-8.

Corn—Dec. 58 3-8 to 58 1-2; May 55 5-9 to 55 3-4; July 55 to 55 1-8.

Oats—Dec. 50 1-8 to 50 1-4; May, old 53 1-2; May, new 51 5-8; July, old 47 5-8; July new 45 1-2.

Mess Pork, per bbl.—Jan. 12.50; May 12.90.

Lard, per 100 lbs.—Jan. 7.77 1-2; May 7.75.

Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—Jan. 6.77 1-2; May 6.90.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, easy; No. 2 spring wheat 1.08 to 1.12; No. 3, 97 to 1.10; No. 2 red, 94 1-4 to 95; No. 2 corn, 59 1-2 to 60; No. 2 yellow, 64 to 1-2; No. 2 oats, 50 1-8 to 1-4; No. 3 white, 51 to 54 1-2; No. 2 rye, 77; good feeding barley, 94; fair to choice malting, 94 to 1.02; No. 1 northwestern, 1.11 1-2; prime timothy seed, 4.30; clover, contract grades, 15.75; short ribs, sides (loose), 6.75 to 7.50; mess pork, per barrel $12.00 to 12.12 1-2; lard, per 100 pounds, 8.05 to 8.10; short clear sides (boxed), 7.25 to 7.37 1-2; whiskey, basis of high wines, 1.35.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 7.—Rosin, steady; strained common to good, 3.65; turpentine quiet, 49.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 7.—Turpentine and rosin, nothing doing.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 7.—Turpentine firm, 45; sales, 713; receipts, 530; shipments, 257.

Rosin, firm; sales, 2,816; receipts, 2,259; shipments, 1,883; stocks, 120,710. Quote: A. B. C. 2.65 to 2.95; D, 2.80 to 2.95; E, 2.85 to 2.95; F, 2.85 to 2.95; G, 2.90 to 2.95; H, 2.95; I, 3.75; K, 4.80; M, 4.35; WG, 6.50; WW, 6.85

MARINE

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Str. Duplin, Singletary, Smith's Bride, J. A. Munn.

Str. Carib, Rich, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 7, 1907.

C. C. Railroad—382 bales cotton, 28 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—867 bales cotton, 1 barrel tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—1,680 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 45 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar, 47 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—222 bales cotton, 125 barrels rosin, 70 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—188 bales cotton, 115 barrels rosin.

Str. Alice—1 bale cotton, 12 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. City of Fayetteville—203 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 29 barrels tar.

Total—3,543 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 285 barrels rosin, 138 barrels tar, 59 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

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Venetia (Br.), 2,333 tons, McMorran, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Torgorm (Br.) 1,065 tons, Falconer, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Dinsdalehadd (Br.) 2,534 tons, Burn, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

John H. May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

Fairfield, 478 tons, Sawyer, C. D. Maffitt.

John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, C. D. Maffitt.

E. Marie Brown, 378 tons, Brown, C. D. Maffitt.

Cut Rate Contributors.

In a certain parish of Greater New York the rector, while admonishing his flock on Sunday last that the collection basket receipts were steadily growing less, took occasion to declare that "certain parishioners contribute according to their means, but others give in keeping with their meanness." He added that in measure such exhibitions of false pretense reminded him of the story told of the pilgrim fathers upon their arrival at Plymouth Rock, "First they fell upon their knees; then they fell upon the aborigines."

The Old Man's Sorrow.

"You have a daughter, have you not, sir?" said a minister to an old gentleman with whom he had formed a casual acquaintance as a fellow passenger.

The old gentleman essayed to answer, but the question had strangely affected him.

"I beg your pardon," said the minister, "if I have thoughtlessly awakened in your mind recollections of a painful nature. The world is full of sorrow, sir, and perhaps my question recalls to your memory a fair, beautiful girl whose blossoming young life had withered in its bloom. Am I right, sir?"

"No, not exactly," replied the old gentleman sadly. "I have five unmarried darters, mister, an' the youngest of the lot is twenty-eight years old."

Merely Preparatory.

"I don't mind telling you," said the pretty girl confidentially, "that I want to take a thorough course in cooking in order to fit myself to be a good wife."

"You are doing the right thing, my dear," said the matron in charge of the cooking school. "May I ask how soon you expect to be married?"

"How should I know?" rejoined the pretty girl, daintily rolling up her sleeves. "I haven't found the man yet."—Chicago Tribune.

Too Bright.

"Didn't you win anything in your suit for damages?"

"No."

"Why didn't you engage a bright lawyer to take your part?"

"I did, but he took my all."—Philadelphia Press.

An Honest Reply.

"Could you assist me, sir?" said the beggar to a soldierly looking citizen. "I'm an ex-army man."

"Discharged?" inquired the citizen.

"Oh, no, sir," replied the beggar vigorously. "I quit."—Lippincott's.

With Father.

Nurse—Come indoors at once, Master Richard, and be a good boy. You won't go to heaven if you're so naughty. Master Richard—I don't want to go to heaven. I want to go with father!—London Sketch.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says; 'Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed to cure blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by R. R. Bellamy, druggist, 50c.

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Horrors of The Dreadful Mine Disaster at Monongah Are Constantly Increasing.

FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY

This Probably a Correct Estimate of the Dead—Two Hundred Families are Destitute—Funerals Occur Today.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 7.—At 9 o'clock tonight, a total of twenty-five bodies had been recovered from mines No. six and eight of the Fairmont Coal Company at Monongah.

Scores of other victims were in sight of the rescuing parties and it was estimated that at least one hundred dead will be brought to the surface before daylight tomorrow. However, the number of bodies recovered tonight and early Sunday depends entirely upon the conditions of the mine, it is said. Late today and tonight the deadly black damp became more pronounced as the further recesses of the mine were approached.

It was stated by General Manager Leo L. Malone of the mines that 478 actual miners were checked off as entering the mines yesterday morning. This number, it was further stated, did not include fully one hundred trappers, mule drivers, pumpers and boys who are not under the check system. Should these figures be correct, the death list will be over 550 persons. The condition of the bodies thus far recovered is horrible. Many are dismembered, some are fearfully crushed and the rest are blackened and burned beyond recognition. The body of J. M. McGraw, pit boss, and one of the best known mining men in West Virginia, was recovered tonight in Mine No. 8. It was headless and otherwise disfigured, identification having been made by the clothing and shoes he wore.

The accident, the greatest in the history of American mining, has dazed the people of this vicinity. Tonight the streets of both this town and Fairmont are crowded with people, while thousands line the hills in the vicinity of the mines.

Every bar room in Fairmont and Monongah is closed. Notices are on the doors announcing that the suspension is caused by the mine explosion and will last until Monday. There is both precaution and respect in the closing of the saloons.

Throughout the territory over sixty mines have suspended operations temporarily, and about 6,000 miners are visiting here and in Fairmont.

Starting tomorrow morning, a new system of rescue will be inaugurated at both mines. It is the intention to dispense with the services of the miners who have been employed in either of the mines. In their places there will be about 200 expert mining men from Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia, all of whom have volunteered.

These men under the direction of Chief Mine Inspector J. W. Paull, of West Virginia, who arrived today from Charleston, will be more fitted to render effective service in the recognizing of the dead. The reason for this is that conditions now existing in the mines were extremely dangerous and it is feared should inexperienced men make an incorrect move, a second explosion would occur, which would completely wreck the mines.

It is estimated that 250 families are destitute. In many places relief funds have already been started for the widows and children. Tomorrow in all the churches of Fairmont, Clarksburg and Monongah special services will be held and it is probable collections will be taken. It is the purpose of the ministers to establish a permanent relief fund.

A score of men of the rescuing parties are in a critical condition tonight from inhaling black damp. Several of them are expected to die. One of these men, John Gabbert, was carried from the mine tonight almost a raving maniac. His lungs were filled with black damp, which produced a condition bordering on insanity, and the services of four men were necessary to hold Gabbert while doctors attended him.

Up to late tonight many entertained hopes that some of the entombed men would be taken from the mines alive. As the bodies recovered today, however, were brought to the surface, horribly mangled, all hope was dispelled and distressing scenes followed. The wails of the foreign women, inexpressibly weired, were very pathetic and caused tears among many of the men. From forty to fifty per cent. of the victims, it is estimated are Americans. A majority of the men who have been recovered, will be buried tomorrow. All day long men have been digging graves in the Catholic cemetery, located within sight of the mines.

Nicolina Gebbia and her brother Leonardo, were yesterday sentenced to death by hanging as accessories to the murder of Walter Lamana, an 8 year old boy last spring at Hahnville, La. The Gebbias took part in a plot by which the boy was kidnapped.

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GRIDIRON CLUB'S GUESTS

Funmaking Organization Entertained Many Distinguished Public Men and Washington Officials. All Have Jolly Time.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—The Gridiron Club began tonight its winter series of fun-making dinners by a lively entertainment of two hundred men, prominent in politics, diplomacy and business.

There was not a moment without jest, song or satire and there was not a jest, song or satire that did not hold up for the merriment of all some one of the guests present.

To begin with when President Samuel Blithe lit up the huge electric gridiron in the spacious and sumptuously appointed banquet hall of the Willard Hotel, the absence of the preliminary cocktail was emphasized. Vice President Fairbanks bore the brunt of this stunt for in front of him stepped a gridironer and sang a ditty about an Indiana dinner where cocktails were served with subsequent regrets. Mr. Fairbanks was then allowed a ration of buttermilk. A class in naturefaking, through questions and answers developed a logical connection with "octopus" and Wall Street. Also that if it true that money talks, "President Roosevelt must be the richest man in the world."

"John Barrett aint broke," remarked one of the class. The story that George Washington threw a dollar across the Potomac was declared not to be a nature fake because Secretary Cortelyou had thrown $20,000,000 to Wall Street.

A song which put Secretary Cortelyou in the attitude of quietly waiting to be called to the Presidency, brought laughter, likewise a response from the secretary.

"Why are the ships going to the Pacific?" was answered in many ways, chief among which was to seat Secretary Metcalf in the Senate. A Japanese wrestler, a game of dice and an aggregation of "undesirable citizens" were all jests aimed at the White House, and were productive of much merriment. The new State of Oklahoma made its appearance with Democratic Senators and Representatives and an electoral vote for Bryan. Chairman New of the Republican National Committee was required to think it over." And then pranced in on hobby-horses, a squad of equestrian-tested army officers.

"We will now drink to the next President of the United States," solemnly announced President Blithe, after he had got to their feet Vice President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon, Secretary Cortelyou, and Senator Knox. Then was sung a ditty which conjured with the names of all the presidential possibilities. A song followed which gave great admiration to the versatility of Ambassador Bryce, but kindly warned him that with it all he would be found wanting, unless he learned the Presidential game of tennis.

The menu souvenir was a collection of Clearing House Certificates, issued by authority of the Gridiron Club Clearing House Association. There was a certificate for each course and each set forth a bit of humor. The initiation as a member of the club of James P. Hornaday, was also made a matter of entertainment.

The guests of the club included: Vice President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon, Secretary Cortelyou, Postmaster General Meyer, Secretary Straus, Secretary Wilson. The Japanese Ambassador. The British Ambassador, and many other notables.

CANNON AND GOMPERS.

Former Pays His Respects to the Labor Leader Who Opposed Him.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—Speaker Cannon today expressed his sentiments toward organized labor and its leader, Samuel Gompers, with respect to the latter's campaign for his (the Speaker's) defeat, the occasion being a call on him by a committee from the local union of Plate Engravers.

A set of resolutions commending the Speaker for his legislative work in behalf of the Plate Workers was presented by the chairman of the delegation, Charles T. Smith. In reply Speaker Cannon, after expressing his gratification at the confidence conveyed entered into an informal discussion of "one-man political leadership" of organized labor. He said that while he bore no enmity to the President of the American Federation of Labor, he did not believe that union men as American citizens would ever accept a dictatorship over their votes; that if he were a craft worker he would ally himself with a trade union, because unionism has been the vehicle of all progress toward better conditions for the wage earner; and while his fealty toward organized labor would not waver if he were affiliated with it, he as an American would hold his franchise above the right of any leader to direct.

He made it plainly understood that he, for his part, would pursue his own ideas in Legislative matters, irrespective of Mr. Gompers' opposition to some of them. He said he knew that in some things Mr. Gompers misrepresented the two million men composing the organization which he leads, and that he (the Speaker) had proved this by appealing to the people from Mr. Gompers' arraignment of him. He said that in his latest re-election there was cast for him a larger Union Labor vote than ever before in his political life, and that he took this as a decisive verdict.

Here's Good Advice.

O. S. Woolever, one of the best known merchants of Le Raysville, N. Y., says: "If you are every troubled with piles, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured me of them for good 20 years ago." Cures every sore, wound, burn or abrasion. 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

NIGHT RIDERS SHOOT UP TOWN

Mounted Mob of Five Hundred Masked Men Take Possession of Hopkinsville, Ky.

FRONT WINDOWS SMASHED

Mayor's Newspaper Office, Banks, Other Places of Business and Private Residences are Objects of Their Vengence.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Five hundred "night riders" masked and heavily armed marched into Hopkinsville early today and destroyed property valued at over $200,000, while citizens, in terror of their lives, feared even to open their windows.

The police, fire department, telephone and telegraph offices, and even the railroad stations were in possession of a wild mob which was shooting right and left; flames from burning buildings, meanwhile lighting up the city and the surrounding country until it seemed that the whole town was ablaze.

Windows in the front of business houses and banks on the main street of the city were shot out and the entire front of one newspaper, which had been especially severe in its condemnations of the raids of the "night riders" and which was owned by the Mayor of the city, was demolished.

Only two men were injured, one of them being Lindsay Mitchell, a tobacco buyer, who was severely beaten with switches and clubs and the other, a brakeman, who was shot in the back while trying to move his train from the path of the flames.

The raid of the "night riders," caught the city unawares, as for some time the depredations resulting from the tobacco war had been of a minor nature and it was generally thought that in the "dark districts" at least the worst was over.

The property destroyed was as follows:

W. H. Tandy, independent tobacco warehouse building, owned by J. H. Latham.

B. M. Wooldridge, association warehouse.

Tandy and Fairleigh, buyers warehouse.

In addition, the entire glass front of the Hopkinsville Kentuckian, Mayor Meacham's paper was destroyed, while windows in the front of the Commercial Banking and Savings Company, the First National, the Planters Trust Company, and the Bank of Hopkinsville were punctured with bullet holes.

A number of other business houses and residences bear the marks of bullets and it is considered remarkable that no one was killed. The insurance is believed to be about $60,000.

As soon as the "Night Riders" left town, a posse of about fifteen, headed by Major Bassett of the local militia and Deputy Sheriff Cravens entered buggies and followed the trail. As soon as the posse could get near enough they opened fire on the fleeing mob and the pursued returned the shots. It is believed none of the "night riders" was hit.

The members of the posse escaped injury. They were soon outdistanced by the mounted men and after chasing the members pas Gracey, the officers returned home.

News was later received from all parts of the town indicating the spread of the raid of the "riders." There was hardly a house in the business section of the city which did not suffer.

Just why no damage was done by the "night riders" to the Imperial, or the American Snuff Company warehouses is not known. They probably contained more stock than any other house.

At the intercession of the citizens who were being guarded on a street corner, the invaders during the raid allowed the fire department to leave their building to save property adjacent to the burning buildings. Had it not been that no wind was blowing and that the firemen and citizens worked so well the entire city might have been destroyed.

The girls in the telephone office were forced by fifteen men to leave their switchboards until the mob was ready to depart from town.

KING OSCAR DYING.

Recovery, His Physicians Say, Is Impossible—Bishop Summoned.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Stockholm, Dec. 7.—The condition of King Oscar is such that his end is expected momentarily.

Within the palace members of the royal family, high ecclesiastics, the Premier and the Minister of Foreign Affairs have been assembled for some hours.

The physicians in attendance administered stimulants consisting of saline solution, camphor and digitalis, which were injected at intervals and they relieved also as far as possible the vesical trouble from which the king has suffered severely all through his illness.

The last bulletin from the sick room tonight indicated that the end is not far off. Once after the ministrations of the physicians he was able to murmur his thanks in a hardly perceptible voice. The breathing is weak and the pulse low and irregular. The blood vessels of the heart and other organs are hopelessly affected.

Bishop Billing of Lund, has been summoned by telegraph to come by special train to the palace to pray at the bedside for the king.

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CHICAGO WAS CHOSEN

For the National Republican Convention and June 16 as the Date—Kansas City Was Second, Denver Third.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 7.—Chicago was today selected as the place and June 16th, 1908, the time for the meeting of the next Republican National Convention.

This decision by the Republican National Committee, followed a long and hard fought contest between the advocates of Chicago and those of Kansas City, Denver, Colorado, coming in at the end with a formal but not important effort to secure the convention.

The ballot showed 31 votes for Chicago, 18 for Kansas City, and four for Denver. the vote being made unanimous after the result was announced.

All the Southern delegations except that of Alabama, supported Chicago, the latter voting for Kansas City.

Every one accepted the decision of the committee good naturedly and the sixty or seventy Kansas City and Denver boomers declared that they would "come back after it again in 1912 and would be sure to get it at that time."

The selection of the time for the convention was a compromise between the first and last of June and all were satisfied on that point also. No official announcement of the roll call on location, was made and some effort was necessary to prevent a secret ballot, which was proposed by Senator Scott of West Virginia. The Senator in advocating such a course said he had no doubt that many of the delegates had given pledges to more than one city and if such was the case an open ballot would be embarrassing to them. Mr. Capers advocated the open ballot saying that the National Committee should set an example to the country in such matters, and that every member should be willing to have his position known. The open ballot ultimately prevailed.

The territories, including Alaska, had the number of their representatives in the convention reduced from six to two.

After a long debate, the committee decided to authorize State and County committees to decide whether the election of delegates to the convention shall be by conventions or by primaries.

The Pacific bound Atlantic fleet under Rear Admiral Evans is rapidly assembling in Hampton Roads whence the great fleet of sixteen battleships will start for the long voyage to San Francisco following a review by President Roosevelt, December 6th. The battleships Louisiana, New Jersey and Virginia were yesterday joined by the battleships Georgia and Kearsarge from League Island navy yard, the Illinois from the Boston yard and the Alabama and Ohio from the New York navy yard. The battleships Kentucky, Maine and Vermont sailed from Boston, Philadelphia and New York respectively today to join the fleet.

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